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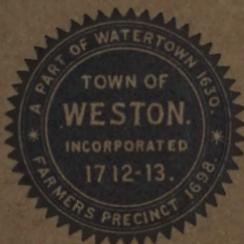
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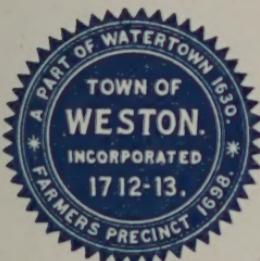
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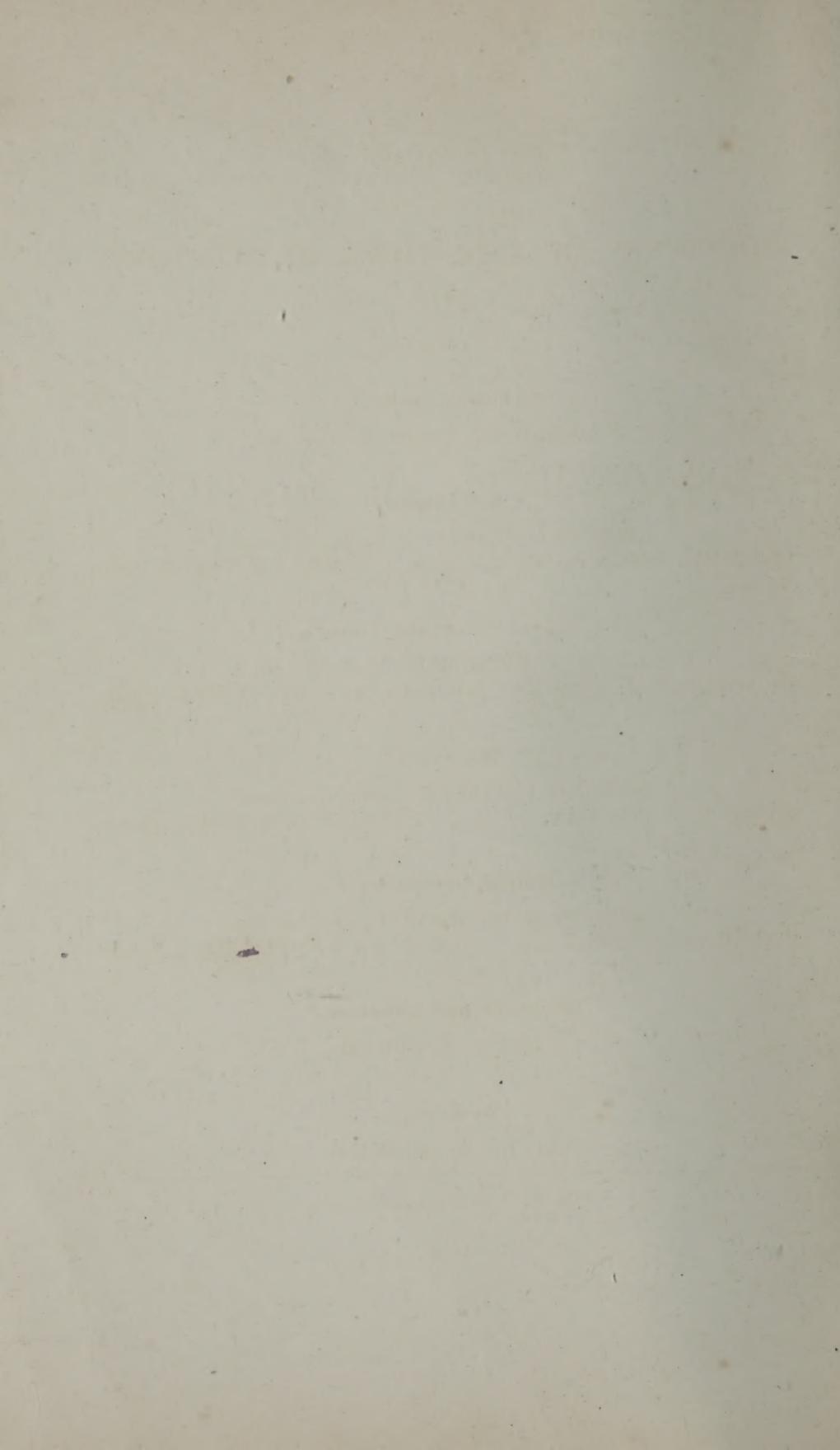
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BOSTON  
PRESS OF GEO. H. ELLIS CO.  
1918



# OFFICERS OF THE TOWN OF WESTON, 1917.

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## Town Clerk.\*

GEORGE W. CUTTING, 3 years.

## Selectmen.\*

ALFRED L. CUTTING, 2 years, *Chairman.*  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG, 3 years. HERBERT E. TYLER, 1 year.

## Overseers of the Poor.\*

HENRY A. WHEELER, 3 years, *Chairman.*  
DR. WILLIAM B. ROBBINS, 1 year. ARTHUR WOODWARD, 2 years.

## Assessors.\*

EDWARD P. RIPLEY, 3 years, *Chairman.*  
DAVID W. LANE, 1 year. CHARLES C. KENNEY, 2 years.

## School Committee.\*

CAROLYN E. BURRAGE, 1 year, *Chairman.*  
WARREN P. ADAMS, 3 years. CHARLES O. RICHARDSON, 2 years.

## Treasurer and Collector.\*

ARTHUR E. UPHAM.

## Auditor.\*

WALTER E. WHEELER.

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\* Elected at the annual town meeting.

**Library Trustees.\***

JUSTIN E. GALE,‡ 3 years, *Chairman.* REVEREND PALFREY PERKINS.  
 ARTHUR T. JOHNSON, 2 years. HORACE S. SEARS, 1 year.

**Library Treasurer.\***

ARTHUR E. UPHAM.

**Trustees of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor.\***

GEORGE W. CUTTING, 1 year, *Chairman.*  
 ARTHUR L. COBURN, 2 years. CHARLES A. FREEMAN, 3 years.

**Superintendent of Streets.†**

PERCY WARREN.§ RAYMOND COBURN.

**Park Commissioners.\***

HORACE S. SEARS, 3 years, *Chairman.*  
 ARTHUR L. COBURN, 2 years. ROBERT WINSOR, JR., 1 year.

**Cemetery Commissioners.\***

GEORGE N. ABERCROMBIE, 2 years, *Chairman.*  
 EDWARD B. FIELD, 1 year, *Clerk.* BENJAMIN R. PARKER, 3 years.

**Board of Health.\***

DR. FRESENIUS VAN NUYS, 2 years, *Chairman.*  
 FRANK H. ALLISON, 1 year, *Secretary.* GEORGE FABER, 3 years.

**Measurers of Wood and Bark.\***

GEORGE W. CUTTING.	JOSEPH R. ROBERTS.
GEORGE O. HASTINGS.	GEORGE W. BRODRICK.
OSCAR S. PAYNE.	FRANK H. ALLISON.
J. MELVIN SCHWARTZ.	

**Surveyors of Lumber.\***

FRANK H. ALLISON.	WILLIAM N. GOWELL.
CHARLES B. CUTTER.	

\* Elected at the annual town meeting.

‡ Resigned.

† Appointed by the Selectmen.

§ Deceased.

**Fence Viewers.\***

AUGUSTUS M. UPHAM. PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.  
J. WESLEY JONES.

**Pound Keeper.**

PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.

**Field Drivers.\***

JAMES B. CRONIN. KARL ANDRÉN.  
JAMES W. BERRY. GEORGE W. D. EMERSON.

**Constables.\***

GEORGE FABER.	MELVIN B. SHERMAN.
SILAS BAXTER.	HERBERT E. TYLER.
CHARLES A. FREEMAN.	PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.
J. MELVIN SCHWARTZ.	JEREMIAH SLINEY.

**Tree Warden.\***

EDWARD P. RIPLEY.

**Chief of Police.†**

PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.

**Police Officers.†**

*(To serve without pay until the date of the next annual town meeting.)*

JOSEPH P. ADAMS.	GEORGE W. HENDERSON.
FRANK H. ALLISON.	FRANK C. MULOCK.
THOMAS H. BASSETT.	WILLIAM G. RENWICK.
BENJAMIN S. BLAKE.	CHARLES H. SADLER.
JOHN CAMPBELL.	HARRY F. WARREN.
ARTHUR M. CHENEY.	PERCY WARREN.
BRENTON H. DICKSON, JR.	EPHRAIM A. DESMOND.
JOHN M. FARRELL.	WILLIAM H. HILL.
HENRY A. GRIMWOOD.	LEROY A. McLEAN.
EDWARD L. MURPHY.	JOHN W. DONNELLY.
HERBERT E. HALLIDAY.	LEO D. DYNAN.
SWAN NORDEN.	FRED V. SMITH.

ALVIN L. DUDLEY.

\* Elected at the annual town meeting.

† Appointed by the Selectmen.

**Fire Engineers.†**

BENJAMIN R. PARKER. BRENTON H. DICKSON, JR.  
ARTHUR L. VITTUM.

**Registrars of Voters.†**

ANDREW FISKE, DEM. Term expires May 1, 1920.  
GEORGE R. STEDMAN, REP. Term expires May 1, 1919.  
GRANT M. PALMER, DEM. Term expires May 1, 1918.  
ALFRED L. CUTTING, REP., *Ex-officio pro tem Clerk of the Board.*

**Sealer of Weights and Measures.†**

CHARLES A. FREEMAN.

**Public Weighers.†**

GEORGE W. CUTTING. GEORGE W. BRODRICK.  
GEORGE O. HASTINGS.

**Weighers of Coal.†**

GEORGE W. CUTTING. GEORGE O. HASTINGS.  
GEORGE W. CUTTING, JR.

**Weigher of Stone and Gravel.†**

WALTER KIRWIN.

**Local Superintendent for the Suppression of the Gypsy and  
Brown-tail Moths.†**

EDWARD P. RIPLEY.

**Inspector of Animals.†**

EDWARD JENNINGS.

**Inspector of Buildings.†**

FRANK C. MULOCK.

† Appointed by the Selectmen.

**Bird Warden.†**

BENJAMIN S. BLAKE.

**Burial Agent.†**

CHARLES A. FREEMAN.

**Forest Warden.†**

BENJAMIN R. PARKER.

**Agent of the Board of Health.‡**

HARRY E. BERGER, JR.

**Inspector of Plumbing.‡**

THOMAS HARRIS.

**Inspector of Milk.‡**

HARRY E. BERGER, JR.

**Sanitary Inspector and Collector of Milk Samples.‡**

E. L. OVERHOLSER

**Bacteriologist.‡**

HARRY E. BERGER, JR.

**Inspector of Slaughtering.‡**

GEORGE E. TRASK.

**Agents to Issue Burial Permits.‡**

GEORGE W. CUTTING. A. L. CUTTING.

**Undertakers.‡**FRANK H. UPHAM. FRANKLIN G. COOPER.  
PATRICK J. McAULIFFE.

† Appointed by the Selectmen.

‡ Appointed by the Board of Health.

## STATISTICS OF THE

	1908.	1909.	1910.	1911.
Population, census of 1905, 1910, 1915 .	2,091	—	2,106	—
Number of voters, men . . . . .	410	412	410	422
Number of voters, women . . . . .	0	—	—	—
Number of polls assessed . . . . .	586	589	575	602
Number of men liable to military duty . . . . .	183	247	185	189
School membership (average enrolment)	294.65	302	303.9	308.22
Total area of town about . . . . .	16.8	—	—	—
Area taxed . . . . .	10,461.03 acres	—	—	—
Greatest extent north and south about . . . . .	6 miles	—	—	—
Greatest extent east and west about . . . . .	3.7 miles	—	—	—
Park areas:				
Town . . . . .	19 acres	—	—	—
Metropolitan . . . . .	77 acres	—	—	—
Met. Water Board Reservation . . . . .	200 acres	—	—	—
Streets, public . . . . .	45 miles	—	—	—
Streets, private . . . . .	3 miles	—	—	—
River front in Weston about . . . . .	2.7 miles	—	—	—
Steam railroads, four-track . . . . .	1.2 miles	—	—	—
Steam railroads, double-track . . . . .	3.2 miles	—	—	—
Steam railroads, single-track . . . . .	3.5 miles	—	—	—
Railroad stations . . . . .	6	—	—	—
Street lights, incandescent electric lamps . . . . .	396	396	402	440
Dwelling-houses . . . . .	452	458	462	472
School-houses . . . . .	5	6	—	—
Churches . . . . .	4	—	—	—
Post-offices . . . . .	3	—	—	—
Villages . . . . .	2	—	—	—
Horses assessed . . . . .	455	455	436	453
Cows assessed . . . . .	765	736	774	846
Dogs licensed . . . . .	154	157	140	138
Number of books in Public Library . . . . .	18,318	18,847	19,519	20,112
Valuation real estate . . . . .	\$3,110,695.00	\$3,152,018.00	\$3,261,293.00	\$3,393,298.00
Valuation personal estate . . . . .	3,668,324.00	3,680,738.00	3,662,952.00	4,388,934.00
Total valuation . . . . .	\$6,779,019.00	\$6,832,756.00	\$6,924,245.00	\$7,782,232.00
Increase . . . . .	699,602.00	33,737.00	91,489.00	857,987.00
Tax rate . . . . .	\$11.40 on \$1,000	\$11.30 on \$1,000	\$11.20 on \$1,000	\$11.30 on \$1,000
Income Tax . . . . .	—	—	—	—
Corporation and bank taxes (including 1908-18 balances) . . . . .	28,391.42	33,450.12	28,324.72	33,738.91
Increase . . . . .	1,989.46†	5,058.70	5,125.40†	5,414.19
Town debt . . . . .	10,000.00	—	—	—
Decrease . . . . .	—	10,000.00	—	—

— Denotes no change from preceding year.

† Decrease.

# TOWN OF WESTON.

1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
—	—	—	2,342	—	—
479	486	488	519	531	513
—	—	—	166	—	163
609	633	647	652	689	653
—	187	141	153	96	367
—	320	340	312	342	338+
—	—	—	—	—	—
10,226.77 acres	10,248.79 acres	10,306.83 acres	10,309.75 acres	10,274.19 acres	10,348.61 acres
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449	452	—	—	—	—
488	513	515	509	532	537
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—	—	—	—	—	—
442	455	391	348	351	347
614	742	764	689	784	640
174	173	162	—	159	147
20,732	21,268	21,732	22,398	22,968	23,520
\$3,556,725.00	\$3,702,575.00	\$3,822,405.00	\$3,890,440.00	\$3,987,260.00	\$4,164,475.00
4,784,915.00	4,418,110.00	4,969,519.00	4,820,417.00	4,912,879.00	827,648.00
\$8,341,640.00	\$8,120,685.00	\$8,791,924.00	\$8,710,857.00	\$8,900,139.00	\$4,992,123.00
559,408.00	161,396.00*	671,239.00	\$1,067.00†	189,282.00	3,908,016.00†
\$12 on \$1,000	\$11.50 on \$1,000	\$10.50 on \$1,000	\$12.50 on \$1,000	\$12.50 on \$1,000	\$12.50 on \$1,000
—	—	—	—	—	55,424.68
33,625.30	28,838.17	24,952.09	21,853.57	11,454.77	10,280.01
113.61	4,787.13†	3,886.08†	3,098.52†	10,398.80†	1,174.76†
—	—	15,000.00	14,000.00	88,000.00	59,000.00
—	—	—	1,000.00	74,000.00+	29,000.00

† Decrease.

+ Increase.

\* See Assessor's Report.

## PROPERTY OF THE TOWN.

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Town-house, land and building . . . . .	\$105,000.00
Public Library, land . . . . .	\$7,500.00
"    "    building . . .	41,000.00
"    "    books . . .	<u>12,000.00</u> 60,500.00
High School, land and building, including new hall, etc. . . . .	\$30,000.00
Grammar School, land and building . . . . .	8,400.00
Primary School, land and building . . . . .	30,000.00
District No. 4 School-house and land . . . . .	1,500.00
District No. 5 School-house and land . . . . .	1,500.00
Grand Stand (athletic field) .	400.00
Other School Property . . .	<u>17,000.00</u> 88,800.00
Almshouse Building, equipment and 68 acres of land . . . . .	6,000.00
Tool-house and land . . . . .	1,500.00
Engine-house, Kendal Green, \$10,000.00	
Engine-house, Weston . . .	17,000.00
Fire Apparatus . . . . .	<u>15,000.00</u> 42,000.00
Park land, 19 acres . . . . .	10,000.00
Gypsy Moth Equipment . . . . .	3,500.00
Road Commissioners' Equipment . . .	<u>8,000.00</u> \$325,300.00
Library Fund Balance . . . . .	\$684.11
Park Commission, cash balance . . . .	1,323.23
Cash in Treasury . . . . .	<u>23,469.84</u> <u>25,477.18</u>
	\$350,777.18

**Funds Held in Trust.**

Public Library Fund . . . . .	\$15,993.86
Merriam Fund for Silent Poor . . . . .	7,695.08
Burial-grounds, General Fund . . . . .	5,471.09
Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund . . . . .	9,457.50
	\$38,617.53

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## TOWN WARRANT.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

MIDDLESEX, ss.

*To any Constable of the Town of Weston,*

GREETING.

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, the 25th day of March current at 12 of the clock noon, at which time the polls will be opened and may be closed at 4 of the clock in the afternoon, to bring in to the subscribers their votes for the following town officers, each to be designated and all to be voted for in one ballot, namely:—

A town clerk for a term of two years, to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of George W. Cutting,

One selectman for a term of three years,

One overseer of the poor for a term of three years,

One assessor for a term of three years,

One member of the school committee for a term of three years,

A treasurer and collector,

An auditor,

One library trustee for a term of three years,

One library trustee for a term of two years,

A library treasurer,

One trustee of the Merriam fund for the silent poor for a term of three years,

One park commissioner for a term of three years,

One cemetery commissioner for a term of three years,

One member of the board of health for a term of three years,

Seven measurers of wood and bark,  
Three surveyors of lumber,  
Three fence viewers,  
A pound keeper,  
Five field drivers,  
Seven constables, and  
A tree warden.

Also to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

and for the following purposes, to wit:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose by separate ballot a moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon reports of town officers and committees.

ARTICLE 3. To determine whether the town will vote to name the new highway leading to the Town-house, "Town-house Road" or some other suitable name.

ARTICLE 4. To determine whether the town will accept and allow the report of the Selectmen relative to the alteration of the town way, being the new road leading to the Town-house near and at the junction of Conant Road and over land of Charles O. Richardson or others.

ARTICLE 5. To determine what action the town will take with regard to street lighting, including the number of lights to be maintained, the schedule of hours for lighting, and the cost thereof.

ARTICLE 6. To determine whether the town will appropriate a sum of money for the construction of a sidewalk on the southerly side of Central Avenue, from School Street to the post office.

ARTICLE 7. To determine whether the town will appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a piano to be installed in the lower town hall.

ARTICLE 8. To determine whether the town will appropriate the sum of \$600 for providing screens for the new Town-house.

ARTICLE 9. To determine whether the town will instruct the Selectmen to appoint an Inspector of Wires, or act any relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To raise and appropriate by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, or as may be required to defray the expenses of the town for the ensuing year; and especially to act upon all the appropriations asked for or proposed by the Selectmen or by any town officers or committees in their reports.

And you are to serve this Warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the Town; namely at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green post-office and on the town bulletin board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton Street and Park Road seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this thirteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,

*Selectmen of the Town of Weston.*

## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK.

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### Births, Marriages and Deaths.

RECORDED IN THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE OF THE TOWN OF WESTON  
FOR THE YEAR 1917.

Whole number of births occurring in 1917 . . . . .	42
Born in Weston . . . . .	21
Born in Newton Hospital . . . . .	8
Born in Waltham Hospital . . . . .	9
Born in New England Hospital . . . . .	2
Born in New England Baptist Hospital . . . . .	1
Born in Faulkner Hospital . . . . .	1
Males . . . . .	29
Females . . . . .	13
Of American parentage . . . . .	18
Of foreign parentage . . . . .	11
Of American and foreign parentage . . . . .	13
Whole number of marriages recorded . . . . .	29
Native born, 39; foreign born, 19; natives of the town, 7; age of youngest groom, 21; age of oldest groom, 42; age of young- est bride, 16; age of oldest bride, 41.	
Whole number of marriage certificates issued . . . . .	31
Whole number of deaths recorded . . . . .	32
Number of deaths occurring: in Weston, 26; in Waltham, 2; in Newton, 2; in Boston, 1; in Westboro, 1.	
Males . . . . .	18
Females . . . . .	14
Of American birth . . . . .	25
Of foreign birth . . . . .	7
Born in Weston . . . . .	8

Oldest person whose death is recorded, 93 years, 1 month, 12 days; youngest person whose death is recorded, 1 year, 7 months, 2 days.

Of persons under one year of age . . . . .	0
" " between 1 and 10 . . . . .	1
" " " 10 " 20 . . . . .	1
" " " 20 " 30 . . . . .	2
" " " 30 " 40 . . . . .	3
" " " 40 " 50 . . . . .	0
" " " 50 " 60 . . . . .	3
" " " 60 " 70 . . . . .	8
" " " 70 " 80 . . . . .	8
" " " 80 " 90 . . . . .	4
" " " 90 " 100 . . . . .	2

### Causes of Death.

Diseases of the Heart, 5; Accidental, 3; Pneumonia, 3; Cerebral Hemorrhage, 1; Nephritis, 1; Arterio Sclerosis, 5; Cancer, 3; Senile Gangrene, 1; Tubercular Meningitis, 1; Old Age, 1; Pulmonary Tuberculosis, 2; Bronchitis, 1; Epilepsy, 1; Dementia Paralytica, 1; Miscellaneous, 3.

Total number of deaths occurring in 1917 . . . . .	32
Population of town, 1915 census . . . . .	2,342
Rate per thousand, excluding 3 non-residents . . . . .	12.38

### Births.

#### JANUARY.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
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8.	Helen Heard.	William and Mary Heard.
10.	— Rolland.	Albert and Charlotte Covill Drew.

#### FEBRUARY.

8.	George Chesley Woodman.	Dana C. and Eunice G. Goldthwaite.
15.	Walter Kenneth Davies.	Walter H. and Olive Barnum.

## DATE. NAME OF CHILD.

- 2. John Arthur Butterfield.
- 5. Rafael Benotti.
- 12. Kenneth Lawrence Stone.
- 14. Evelyn Marjorie Paulson.
- 20. John Albert Gregory.
- 26. Philip Kendall Gilbert.
- 30. James Rafuse.
- 31. Phyllis Travis.
- 31. Paul Travis.

## MARCH.

## NAMES OF PARENTS.

- James J. and Catherine Galvin.
- Louis and Catherine Confaloni.
- Charles and Signe A. Svenson.
- Joseph W. and Olga Markoff.
- John H. and Ella J. White.
- Marcus H. and Grazilla B. Allen.
- Leander and Elizabeth Gorman.
- Henry D. and Lillian Frances Upham.
- Henry D. and Lillian Frances Upham.

## APRIL.

- 1. Hazel Pitman.
  - 12. Francis Ralph Desmond.
  - 17. Allister Marshall.
  - 25. Beda Charlotte Swanson.
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- 4. John Forsythe Meigs, 3d.
  - 8. Rita Mary Gallant.
  - 17. Arthur Laurence Fay.

- 29. Sally Pushee.
- 5. Gordon Edward Abbott.

- 6. Vincent Ravi Bailey.
- 17. John Perry Marshall, Jr.
- 20. Margherita Nichols White.

## MAY.

- John F., Jr., and Elizabeth Blair Hubbard.
- Joseph Henry and Priscilla Gallant.
- Harry A. and Edith I. McNutt.

## JUNE.

- G. Horton and Romaine Ladensack.
- Edward L. and Isabel Sherburne.

## JULY.

- Harry and Margaretta Ravi.
- John P. and Agnes Lewis.
- Austin T. and Amelia Huff.

## AUGUST.

- 4. Alexander Connor Hutchinson.
  - 18. Louis Anselm Comeau.
  - 21. Ralph Herbert Wilson.
  - 23. Kathleen Gertrude Quinn.
  - 12. Clifford Clarence Cooper, Jr.
- Thomas and Elizabeth Bingham.
  - Isaac L. and M. Theresa Doucette.
  - James M. and Marion Hazelton.
  - Philip A. and Caroline Wakely.
  - Clifford C. and Annie E. Scott.

## SEPTEMBER.

- 4. Gordon Donald, Jr.
  - 20. Robert James Lawrence.
  - 24. Elizabeth Fellows.
  - 26. Evelyn Wellington.
  - 31. Frances Louise Martin.
- Gordon and Alice Garland.
  - George O. and Lillian M. Lawrence.
  - Arthur P. and Annie E. Murray.
  - Arthur W. and Evelyn Lawton.
  - Winfred A. and Carrie E. Tozier.

## OCTOBER.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
6.	Joseph Herbert Tebo.	Martin S. and Marie La Plant.
18.	Melvin Rand.	Percy and Ethel Gertrude Whipple.
31.	Helen Christina DeLong.	Maurice and Marion Theresa Foote.
30.	Carl Percival Croslyn.	Charles P. and Anita M. Fraser.

## NOVEMBER.

11.	Owen Chalmers Howe, Jr.	Owen C. and Charlotte F. Kendal.
21.	William Herbert White.	George and Flossie Robinson.

## DECEMBER.

30.	Robert Bassett Clark.	Elmer B. and Lena West.
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NOTE.—The following returns of births were received too late for insertion in the report for 1916:—

## DECEMBER, 1916.

DATE.	NAME OF CHILD.	NAMES OF PARENTS.
4.	Russell Adams Sears.	Percival A. and Priscilla Alden.
11.	Helen Lena Shaw.	Benjamin H. and Lilla Lingley.
20.	Marion Ruth Jones.	J. Wesley and May J. Heard.

## Marriages.

## APRIL.

8. Patrick J. Sullivan, of South Boston, and Mary J. O'Brien, of Weston.

## MAY.

12. Harry A. Fay, of Roxbury, and Edith I. McNutt, of Weston.  
 22. Charles Stearns Faulkner, of South Milwaukee, Wis., and Marion B. Palmer, of Weston.  
 22. Earle Gilmore West, of West Newton, and Mildred Elizabeth Coburn, of Kendal Green, Weston.

## JUNE.

2. Charles Nelson Stearns, of Hardwick, and Amalie Stier, of Weston.  
 5. Irving B. Hunt, of Ray Brook, N.Y., and Anna L. Heard, of Weston.  
 5. Harold C. Clark, of Weston, and Agatha M. Parmenter, of Concord.  
 12. Charles Baker Janes, of Waltham, and Mildred Frances Dame, of Weston.  
 30. Lawrence Baxter Love, of Winchester, and Florence Irene Richards, of Weston.

## JULY.

3. John Albert Johnson, of Brighton, and Emma Sophia Hurtig, of Weston.
3. Harold Clinton Cornell, of Dartmouth, and Hattie Marion Trask, of Weston.
12. Adam McClay, of Weston, and Phoebe Spear, of Wellesley.
25. John McTighe, of Weston, and Margaret Waldron, of Brookline.
28. Ralph E. Vittum, of Weston, and Violet M. Douglas, of Weston.

## SEPTEMBER.

4. Merton F. Gray, of Weston, and Alice Alberta Bezanson, of Weston.
12. Willis E. Wright, of Ashby, and Alice L. Tucker, of Weston.
26. Paul G. Jenney, of Weston, and Rebecca W. True, of Marblehead.

## OCTOBER.

4. Clinton E. Carpenter, of Sekonk, and Alice Beatrice Upham, of Weston.
6. Budd Winship, of Weston, and Bridget Harrington, of Weston.
6. Edward M. Peters, of Medford, and Margaret Ashton Pratt, of Weston.
28. Henry S. Maxwell, of Weston, and Mary Connors, of Somerville.
29. John J. Sullivan, of Wellesley, and Florence Mackellick, of Weston.

## NOVEMBER.

11. Stephen Kolodjshjski, of Weston, and Teodoza Bromsherska, of Weston.
24. Harry R. Randolph, of Natick, and Christine MacDonald, of Weston.
26. Samuel Burns Forsythe, of Weston, and Lillia Gertrude Churchill, of Orland, Me.
28. John L. Fraser, of Boston, and Adelaide A. Stevens, of Weston.
29. Robert Roy Cranton, of Needham, and Mary Annette Harris, of Weston.

## DECEMBER.

12. Frederick J. Cunningham, of Waltham, and Elsie C. Smith, of Weston.
8. Francis Pooler, of Lynn, and Constance Palmer, of Weston.

## Deaths.

## JANUARY.

DATE.	NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	AGE.		
			Y.	M.	D.
3.	Hannah Bennett Coburn,	Lee, N.H.,	86	10	0
15.	William George Simpson,	England,	68	4	19
20.	William L. Hager,	Waltham,	28	3	26
31.	Grace E. Hobbs,	Weston,	71	2	0

## FEBRUARY.

DATE.	NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	Y.	M.	D.	AGE.
1.	Beatrice Von B. Nichols,	Potsdam, Germany,	37	5	17	
12.	Philip Cronin,	Weston,	1	7	2	
16.	William T. Burrage,	Malden,	68	1	14	
24.	Manley Seaversns,	Weston,	79	3	5	

## MARCH.

26.	Catherine McSween,	Cape Breton,	87	0	0
29.	Charlotte Maria Jennings,	Weston,	93	1	12

## APRIL.

1.	Joseph T. Evans,	South Boston,	34	0	0
2.	Mary Agnes Byett,	Weston,	39	0	7
11.	Alice W. Hubbard,	Boston,	55	7	4

## MAY.

15.	Emma Frances Lovewell,	Wayland,	73	9	2
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## JUNE.

6.	Lydia E. LaRock,	Malden,	19	8	30
9.	Charlotte H. Coldwell,	Bangor, Me.,	68	0	0
14.	Wilson I. Best,	New York,	63	2	18
24.	Eben N. Everett,	Nova Scotia,	69	8	19
24.	Percy Warren,	Weston,	51	11	19

## JULY.

6.	Charles Henry Livermore,	Princeton,	91	7	26
8.	John Wilson,	Scotland,	71	9	6
30.	Warren Prescott Adams,	Nantucket,	77	0	14

## AUGUST.

11.	John Charles Kennedy,	Manchester, N.H.,	63	0	0
19.	Herbert Washburn Brooks,	Weston,	20	3	13

## OCTOBER.

2.	Clara Belle Richardson,	Newburyport,	61	3	13
12.	Philip Terrise,	Italy,	63	0	0
20.	Ella Maria Baker,	Weston,	53	8	12

## NOVEMBER.

DATE.	NAME.	PLACE OF BIRTH.	AGE.
			Y. M. D.
22.	Amos S. Crane,	Washington, Mass.,	71 0 10
24.	Esther D. Richardson,	Milford, N.H.,	78 4 9

## DECEMBER.

2.	Nathan P. Mulloy,	Gorham, Me.,	82 5 23
26.	Thomas Parker,	England,	81 0 19
28.	Ella F. Fisk,	Waltham,	70 0 0

Number of dog licenses issued during the year:—

156 males at \$2.00 . . . . .	\$312.00
38 females at \$5.00 . . . . .	190.00
1 breeder's license . . . . .	25.00
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Fees, 195 licenses at 20 cents each . . . . .	\$39.00
Paid County Treasurer . . . . .	488.00
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ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

DECEMBER 31, 1917.



## REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN.

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The Selectmen have the honor to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1917:—

The Board organized at a special meeting held April 9, 1917, by the choice of Mr. Alfred L. Cutting as Chairman and Mr. B. L. Young as Secretary. Stated meetings have been held as usual on the second Monday of each month. During the year 1917 the Board held twenty-three formal meetings and conducted three public hearings; members of the Board have also held numerous conferences with the Town Improvement Committee and with County and State officials, and have attended hearings before Legislative Committees of the Great and General Court.

### **Appointments, Licenses, etc.**

The Board has made the usual appointment under the provisions of the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth. A list of these appointments will be found under the heading, "Officers of the Town of Weston, 1917," on pages 4 to 7 of this volume. The Board has also appointed certain Election Officers, Ballot Clerks, and Tellers for the various elections and primaries held during the past year, and has granted various licenses, all as appears in the Town Records at the end of this volume.

**Appropriations and Expenditures for 1914, 1915, 1916, 1917, and  
Appropriations Recommended for 1918.**

Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
<b>GENERAL GOVERNMENT.</b>						
Committee on Revision of By-laws . . . . .	Balance	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
	Approp.					
	Expend't.					
Committee to investigate water rights of City of Cambridge	Bal.	—	<b>250.00</b>	<b>49.31</b>		
	Ap.	<b>250.00</b>				
	Exp.	—	200.69	51.00		
Committee on Salaries of Town Officers . . . . .	Bal.	—	—	<b>81.15</b>	38.45	
	Ap.	—	<b>100.00</b>			
	Exp.	—	18.85	<b>42.70</b>		
Clerk of Committees . . . . .	Ap.	—	—	—	<b>100.00</b>	<b>650.00</b>
Selectmen . . . . .	Ap.	<b>550.00</b>	<b>700.00</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>
	Exp.	476.97	560.03	580.28	598.77	
Auditing . . . . .	Ap.	<b>425.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>550.00</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>650.00</b>
	Exp.	427.64	548.05	513.64	523.18	
Treasurer and Collector . . . . .	Ap.	<b>850.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>	<b>1,300.00</b>
	Exp.	834.09	988.22	1,064.65	1,086.64	
Assessors . . . . .	Ap.	<b>800.00</b>	<b>1,100.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>600.00</b>
	Exp.	798.78	910.81	857.42	706.47	
Town Clerk . . . . .	Ap.	<b>350.00</b>	<b>450.00</b>	<b>450.00</b>	<b>350.00</b>	<b>200.00</b>
	Exp.	392.89	426.45	325.75	326.62	
Law . . . . .	Ap.	<b>250.00</b>	<b>200.00</b>	<b>500.00</b>	<b>600.00</b>	<b>560.00</b>
	Exp.	78.50	563.40	390.00	648.34	
Election and Registration . . . . .	Ap.	<b>250.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>	<b>275.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>250.00</b>
	Exp.	192.09	249.55	278.20	276.90	
Municipal Buildings, Town-hall	Ap.	<b>950.00</b>	<b>1,200.00</b>	<b>1,000.00</b>	<b>2,600.00</b>	<b>5,000.00</b>
	Exp.	1,038.33	876.50	785.65	2,230.92	
Town-house, fire escape . . . . .	Bal.	<b>250.00</b>				
	Ap.					
	Exp.	233.00				
New Town Hall . . . . .	Bal.	—	—	—	41,701.71	
	Receipts	—	—	*20,000.00		
	Ap.	—	—	<b>75,000.00</b>		
	Exp.	—	—	53,298.29	41,694.46	
Total General Government	Bal.	<b>\$750.00</b>	<b>\$750.00</b>	<b>\$630.46</b>	<b>\$42,240.16</b>	<b>\$500.00</b>
	Ap.	<b>4,675.00</b>	<b>5,559.00</b>	<b>80,225.00</b>	<b>7,000.00</b>	<b>9,650.00</b>
	Receipts	—		20,000.00		
	Exp.	4,472.29	5,342.55	58,187.58	48,034.30	

\* Gift from Horace S. Sears, Esq.

Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
<b>PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.</b>						
Police Department . . . . .	Ap.	\$850.00	\$1,000.00	\$1,250.00	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
	Exp.	810.77	1,473.48	938.95	2,340.16	
Fire Department . . . . .	Ap.	2,500.00	3,100.00	3,375.00	4,250.00	3,000.00
	Exp.	3,083.79	3,351.96	3,421.99	4,150.18	
Hydrant Service . . . . .	Ap.	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
	Exp.	1,437.50	1,450.00	1,450.00	1,475.00	
Fire Engine House . . . . .	Bal.	—	4,445.87			
	Ap.	16,500.00	500.00			
	Exp.	12,054.63	4,945.37	200.00		
Fire Apparatus, etc. . . . .	Bal.	—	—	7,000.00		
	Ap.	—	4,000.00			
	Receipts	—	*3,000.00			
	Exp.	—	—	7,000.00		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	Ap.	50.00	125.00	100.00	75.00	75.00
	Exp.	39.06	62.00	62.12	68.91	
Moth Extermination . . . . .	Receipts	1,920.30				
	Ap.	5,000.00	7,500.00	7,000.00	6,000.00	5,000.00
	Exp.	6,919.73	7,482.20	6,987.70	6,205.54	
Tree Warden . . . . .	Ap.	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	Exp.	413.38	499.90	427.28	469.83	
Total Protection of Persons and Property . . . . .	Bal.	—	\$4,445.87	\$7,000.00		
	Receipts	\$1,920.30	3,000.00			
	Ap.	26,900.00	18,225.00	13,725.00	\$14,325.00	\$12,075.00
	Exp.	24,758.86	18,264.91	20,488.04	14,709.62	
<b>HEALTH AND SANITATION.</b>						
Health Department . . . . .	Ap.	\$150.00	\$180.00	\$230.00	\$230.00	\$500.00
	Exp.	106.49	201.58	190.25	473.53	
Inspection of school children .	Ap.	250.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	Exp.	250.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
Inspection of animals, etc. . .	Ap.	375.00	450.00	450.00	450.00	250.00
	Exp.	401.67	449.96	365.36	545.54	
Co-operative Boards of Health	Ap.	500.00	650.00	650.00	650.00	650.00
	Exp.	550.00	583.28	704.08	649.92	
Total for Health and Sanitation . . . . .	Ap.	\$1,275.00	\$1,580.00	\$1,630.00	\$1,630.00	\$1,700.00
	Exp.	1,308.16	1,534.82	1,559.69	1,968.99	

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Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
<b>HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.</b>						
General Maintenance . . .	Ap.	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$18,000.00	\$26,500.00	\$17,500.00
	Exp.	18,998.53	17,997.14	18,533.32	21,269.66	
Equipment and Repairs . .	Ap.	—	2,200.00	2,500.00	3,500.00	1,500.00
	Exp.	—	2,200.55	2,500.00	3,709.90	
Superintendent's Salary . .	Ap.	875.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,050.00
	Exp.	833.33	1,000.00	1,000.00	900.00	
Riverside Road Bridge . .	Ap.	—	750.00			
	Exp.	—	977.94			
Wellesley Street, near Central Avenue . . . . .	Bal.	1,932.16				
	Exp.	1,931.56				
Sidewalks (general) . . . .	Ap.	2,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,000.00
	Exp.	1,964.08	1,499.19	254.25	626.65	
Sidewalks, Concord Road and Merriam St. . . . .	Bal.	665.62				
	Ap.					
	Exp.	665.62				
Sidewalk, Central Ave. . . . .	Ap.					2,000.00
Snow and Ice . . . . .	Ap.	500.00	500.00	1,000.00	800.00	1,000.00
	Exp.	324.64	458.00	1,263.91	944.26	
Street Lighting . . . . .	Ap.	5,500.00	6,400.00	6,400.00	7,000.00	6,000.00
	Exp.	5,613.80	6,195.76	5,661.09	6,737.48	
Other Expenses . . . . .	Ap.	400.00	500.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
	Exp.	181.50	489.11	706.96	409.75	
Bridge over Charles River .	Ap.	—	—	2,857.15		
	Exp.	—	—	2,857.15		
Total for Highways . .	Bal.	\$2,597.78				
	Ap.	27,275.00	\$30,850.00	\$33,757.15	\$35,000.00	\$30,550.00
	Exp.	30,513.06	30,817.69	32,776.68	34,597.70	

CHARITIES.						
<b>Poor Department (administration) . . . . .</b>						
	Ap.	\$1500.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$175.00	\$175.00
	Exp.	157.27	173.47	173.46	169.97	
Support of Poor . . . . .	Ap.	700.00	800.00	600.00	800.00	600.00
	Receipts	—	—	—	32.00	
	Exp.	277.27	500.83	664.58	579.57	
Waltham Hospital, Weston Free Beds . . . . .	Ap.	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00
	Exp.	750.00	750.00	750.00	750.00	
Total for Charities . .	Ap.	\$1,600.00	\$1,750.00	\$1,550.00	\$1,725.00	\$1,525.00
	Receipts	—	—	—	32.00	
	Exp.	1,184.54	1,424.30	1,588.04	1,499.54	

Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.						
State Aid . . . . .	Ap.	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$500.00
	Exp.	130.00	192.00	192.00	192.00	
EDUCATION, SCHOOLS.						
Administration (including sal- aries) . . . . .	Ap.	\$600.00	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$800.00	\$850.00
	Exp.	569.99	700.00	711.00	766.25	
Other General Expenses . . .	Ap.	400.00	500.00	400.00	400.00	400.00
	Exp.	230.93	238.23	205.12	253.70	
Teachers' Salaries . . . . .	Ap.	11,700.00	14,500.00	15,500.00	16,350.00	16,400.00
	Exp.	10,907.91	14,435.29	15,144.02	15,833.99	
Text-books and Supplies . .	Ap.	1,700.00	2,000.00	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
	Receipts	—	—	523.47	429.89	
	Exp.	1,812.79	1,473.44	1,962.68	2,201.07	
Transportation of pupils . .	Ap.	4,400.00	6,000.00	6,500.00	6,500.00	6,500.00
	Exp.	3,947.50	6,160.31	6,656.52	6,587.89	
Janitors' services . . . . .	Ap.	1,250.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,600.00	1,500.00
	Exp.	1,190.60	1,464.92	1,466.42	1,483.80	
Fuel and Light . . . . .	Ap.	2,000.00	2,390.00	2,400.00	4,760.00	2,700.00
	Exp.	1,424.54	2,308.28	2,503.11	3,423.78	
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .	Receipts	—	527.21			
	Ap.	1,200.00	1,000.00	1,500.00	2,200.00	2,000.00
	Exp.	870.14	1,664.78	2,045.07	2,386.02	
Other Expenses . . . . .	Ap.	600.00	600.00	500.00	600.00	500.00
	Exp.	395.12	334.79	526.67	359.67	
Enlarging Manual Training Building . . . . .	Bal.	—	63.00	95.85		
	Ap.	10,000.00	2,300.00			
	Exp.	9,937.00	2,267.15			
Tuition of Children . . . . .	Ap.	—	—	—	340.00	
	Exp.	—	517.00	370.00	390.00	350.00
Permanent Improvements of School Buildings . . . . .	Bal.	—	—	225.43		
	Ap.	—	3,175.00			
	Exp.	—	2,949.57	180.50		
Building Fire Escapes on High and Primary School Buildings . . . . .	Ap.	—	—	750.00		
	Exp.	—	—	393.42		
Total for Schools . . . . .	Bal.	—	\$63.00	\$321.28		
	Receipts	—	527.21	523.47	429.89	
	Ap.	\$33,850.00	34,675.00	31,650.00	35,350.00	33,000.00
	Exp.	31,286.52	34,513.76	32,164.53	33,686.17	

Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
<b>LIBRARIES.</b>						
Library Incidentals . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	\$2,200.00 2,200.00	\$2,360.00 2,359.02	\$2,360.00 2,115.25	\$2,300.00 2,313.80	\$2,300.00
Books and Periodicals, Dog Tax . . . . .	Ap. Exp.					
<b>RECREATION.</b>						
Instruction in Swimming . . .	Ap. Exp.	\$1,000.00 919.10	\$1,000.00 989.61	\$1,000.00 840.62	\$1,000.00 645.17	\$800.00
Drainage of Land taken for Park Purposes . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	— —	1,500.00 1,500.00			
*Total for Recreation . . .	Ap. Exp.	— —	\$2,500.00 2,489.61	\$1,000.00 840.62	\$1,000.00 645.17	\$800.00
<b>CELEBRATIONS.</b>						
Fourth of July . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	— —	— —	\$350.00 337.30		
<b>UNCLASSIFIED.</b>						
Memorial Day . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	\$150.00 134.67	\$150.00 134.85	\$150.00 133.15	\$150.00 135.17	\$150.00
Town Report . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	800.00 859.28	800.00 649.12	700.00 706.93	1,000.00 916.79	1,000.00
All Others . . . . .	Ap. Exp.	300.00 30.95	300.00 25.00	100.00 94.24	100.00 131.70	100.00
Total for Unclassified . .	Ap. Exp.	\$1,250.00 1,024.90	\$1,250.00 808.97	\$950.00 934.32	\$1,250.00 1,183.66	\$1,250.00

\*This total does not include the expenses under Town Common which are largely for recreation.

Title of Accounts.		1914. 10 Months.	1915.	1916.	1917.	Balances and Recom- mendations for 1918.
Burial Grounds . . . . .	Receipts	\$227.08	\$1,334.17	\$844.07	\$958.16	
	Ap.	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,500.00</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>
	Exp.	2,221.50	2,913.22	2,801.36	3,396.04	
Town Common . . . . .	Bal.	<b>49,562.05</b>	<b>45,595.24</b>	<b>16,761.69</b>	<b>15,021.70</b>	<b>1,511.95</b>
	Ap.	—	—	—	<b>20,000.00</b>	<b>8,000.00</b>
	Exp.	3,966.81	18,917.34	1,739.99	33,509.75	
Highway from Conant Road to Central Avenue . . . . .	Ap.	—	*			
	Exp.	—	9,916.21			
Abolition of Grade Crossing .	Bal.	—	500.23	495.10	495.10	495.10
	Ap.	<b>2,000.00</b>				
	Exp.	1,499.77	513			
Interest . . . . .	Ap.	—	<b>580.00</b>	<b>850.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>	<b>3,500.00</b>
	Receipts	—	—	1,016.67		
	Exp.	300.00	719.57	2,463.91	3,954.85	
Reserve Fund . . . . .	Bal.	—	1.90	275.54	50.96	1,519.08
	Receipts	—	268.57		1,152.05	
	Ap.	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>	<b>2,000.00</b>
Refund . . . . .	Ap.	<b>200.00</b>	<b>200.00</b>			
	Exp.	—	—	33.01		
Abatement of taxes . . . . .	Ap.	<b>1,000.00</b>				
	Exp.	—				
Purchase of Town Bonds . .	Ap.	—	—	—	<b>25,000.00</b>	
	Ep.	—	—	—	24,693.90	
War Appropriation . . . . .	Ap.	—	—	—	<b>500.00</b>	
	Ep.	—	—	—	13.55	
<b>Totals . . . . .</b>						
	Bal.	<b>\$52,909.83</b>	<b>\$51,355.74</b>	<b>\$25,484.70</b>	<b>\$57,807.92</b>	<b>\$4,026.13</b>
	Receipts	2,147.38	5,129.95	22,384.21	2,110.21	
	Ap.	<b>107,425.00</b>	<b>103,720.00</b>	<b>172,247.15</b>	<b>153,380.00</b>	<b>109,350.00</b>
	Exp.	105,785.51	131,219.10	158,222.32	204,399.04	

\* Appropriation made from Town Common Balance.

#### OTHER EXPENDITURES.

		1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
Metropolitan Parks, maintenance . . . . .		\$2,171.29	\$2,273.53	\$1,968.85	\$2,425.67
Charles River Basin, maintenance . . . . .		493.26	426.44	571.52	628.22
Metropolitan Parks and Charles River Basin, in- terest, Sinking Fund and Bonds . . . . .		2,148.95	2,139.43	3,236.00	\$2,845.66
State Highway, repairs . . . . .		150.21	600.92	587.03	953.60
State Tax . . . . .		18,900.00	21,060.00	15,440.00	19,910.00
County of Middlesex . . . . .		10,364.78	10,949.58	9,964.07	9,105.75
Auditing Municipal Accounts . . . . .		75.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Fire Engine House Bonds . . . . .		—	—	526.54	788.00
Newton and Weston Bridge . . . . .		—	—	135.00	*4,000.00
Town Hall Bonds . . . . .		—	—		
Total Other Expenditures . . . . .		\$34,303.49	\$38,449.90	\$33,429.01	\$41,656.90
Total Expenditures . . . . .		\$140,089.00	\$169,669.00	\$191,651.33	\$246,055.94

\* Bonds purchased not included.

## Weston Water Company.

JANUARY 11, 1918.

ALFRED L. CUTTING, CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF SELECTMEN, WESTON, MASS.

Dear Sir,—In accordance with the provisions of Section 11, Chapter 217 of the Acts of 1896, I beg to advise you of the receipts and expenditures of the Weston Water Company for the year ending December 31, 1917, as follows:—

### RECEIPTS.

*From January 1, 1917, to December 31, 1917.*

Service . . . . .	\$11,693.43
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### EXPENDITURES.

Labor . . . . .	\$2,236.00
Expense . . . . .	827.36
Insurance . . . . .	61.20
Interest . . . . .	3,455.16
Taxes . . . . .	773.26
Electric Power . . . . .	1,088.60
Repairs . . . . .	257.62      8,699.20

Gain for 12 months ending December 31, 1917 . . . . .	\$2,994.23
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Yours very truly,

HORACE S. SEARS,

*Treasurer.*

## Salaries of Town Officers.

At a Town Meeting held May 28, 1915, it was voted that a committee of three to consider the matter of compensation paid to town officials and employees be appointed by the Moderator, and that the committee be instructed to report in print at the next annual Town Meeting together with such recommendations as they might see fit.

Under authority of this vote the Moderator appointed Samuel C. Bennett, B. H. Dickson, Jr., and Herbert E. Brayton. The report of this committee may be found on pages 208–219 of the Town Report for the year ending December 31, 1915. We bring to the attention of the voters of the town the following extracts from this report:—

"At the present time your committee is not disposed to recommend any change in the salaries of any town officers. . . . Your committee recommends the appointment of an employee to be designated the 'Secretary of Town Boards, Committees and Officials' or by some similar title. This Secretary should be competent to do much of the clerical work now imposed upon town officers, boards, and committees, *i.e.*, the work of writing up the records, writing and filing correspondence, drafting reports of committees, and in other ways assisting all officials, always under their direction, in the discharge of their clerical work, thus relieving them to that extent. The Secretary should be skilled in stenography and typewriting, and have in the Town Hall an office open during all business hours. The Selectmen should be authorized to appoint and to remove this Secretary and to fix the salary for the office. Probably the duties of the position would require a substantial part of the Secretary's time, and deserve substantial compensation. But if the boards and officials of the Town were relieved of a considerable part of their clerical and routine work, they would serve for less compensation than that now paid. It is to be remembered that in certain instances the Town now grants allowances for clerical assistance to officials, boards, or committees. It seems that the Secretary might discharge these duties, and the allowances now granted for clerical assistance would go for towards paying the salary of the new official."

In accordance with the latter recommendation of the Committee and by authority of a vote passed at a special Town Meeting held October 18, 1917, the Selectmen early in January appointed Miss Marion H. Upham "Clerk of Town Boards, Committees and Officials." Miss Upham is well qualified for the position, having taken special courses in typewriting and stenography. She may be found at the Town Hall every week-day from 8 to 12 and 2 to 5, with the exception of Wednesdays, when the hours are from 8 to 12. These hours may later be changed if it is found that the people of the town can be more conveniently served by so doing. A large part of the clerical work which has been performed in the past by various town officers should now be done at the Hall by the clerk. This will relieve these officials from a large amount of routine work and as a result a revision of their salaries should be made, having in mind the amount of work actually performed and the responsibility of the various offices. We believe that all books and town papers should be kept in the Town Hall where

they are easily accessible and where any desired information may be obtained during office hours.

In view of these changes we recommend that a committee of three be appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Town to again consider the matter of salaries of town officials and to report at some subsequent Town Meeting. Pending the report of this committee the Selectmen offer the following recommendations for the Town's consideration:—

First, that the salaries of the Selectmen be \$200 for the chairman and \$100 each for the other two members of the Board.

Second, that the salary of the Town Clerk be fixed at \$150 with the fees allowed by statute in addition thereto and that no allowance be made for clerk hire.

Third, that no allowance be made the Assessors for Clerk Hire.

Fourth, that the salary of the Treasurer and Collector be fixed at \$1,000. Relative to the latter recommendation the Selectmen have to say that the Town is to be congratulated in having so competent and efficient a Treasurer and Collector as Mr. Upham. The position is one of great responsibility, the amount of money handled yearly aggregating several hundred thousand dollars. The Selectmen believe that \$1,000 is not an excessive amount for the Town to pay for so important an office.

### **Town Improvement Plan.**

The Town Improvement Plan has now been almost completed. Originally conceived in 1911, it has been gradually carried out each year since that date. The highway, the fire station, and the Town-house have been finished. The final improvements to the Town Common, and the demolition or removal of the old Town-house and the horse-sheds will necessitate some further expense, and should therefore be postponed for the duration of the war. At the present time the old Town-house is being used for war relief work. Three land damage cases only remain still unsettled, namely, those of Arthur L. Hersum, Charles O. Rich-

ardson, and the First Parish. The claim of the Parish has been postponed without prejudice until such time as the present horse-sheds are in fact removed. The claim of Mr. Richardson can probably be settled satisfactorily by the construction, at the expense of the Town, of a new cesspool, and by the discontinuance of a small, unused strip of the new highway abutting Mr. Richardson's property. The Selectmen therefore recommend that this strip be discontinued and have inserted Article 4 in the Warrant to bring this matter before the Town.

The unexpended balance in the Town Common appropriation on January 1, 1918, is \$1,511.95, of which amount about \$500 is reserved for the purchase of furniture for the new Town-house. The Park Commissioners now recommend that an additional appropriation of \$8,000 be made to be expended by them, subject to the approval of the Selectmen, in settlement of land damage cases and for all other expenses in connection with the Town Common. This sum seems to be necessary to meet the probable expenses of litigation and settlement, and certain small improvements which will be absolutely required during the coming year. This recommendation is therefore approved by the Selectmen.

The new Town-house was formally opened and dedicated on November 27, 1917. Alfred L. Cutting, Esq., Chairman of the Board, acted as a presiding officer. The Reverend Joseph E. Perry, Ph.D., offered prayer, and addresses were made by His Honor, Calvin Coolidge, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, Honorable Robert M. Washburn of Worcester, and Benjamin Loring Young, Esquire, of the Board of Selectmen. A complete record of the proceedings at the dedication has been preserved for historical interest and will be found on pages 100 to 128 of this Report.

### Street Lighting.

The Town voted in 1917 to adopt a schedule of street lighting which provided that the lights be kept lighted until 12.30 o'clock A.M. each night, without regard to the moon. This schedule

cost about \$800 more than the so-called "dark-hour schedule" previously in force. During the emergency shortage of coal the Selectmen notified the Edison Company to restrict street lighting in Weston until further notice, to the dark-hour schedule. The Selectmen are of opinion that this more economical schedule should be continued for the duration of the war. The Selectmen are also of opinion that substantial economies in street lighting could be effected by a general rearrangement of the lights now in use. Article 5 has been inserted in the Warrant to bring the whole question of street lighting before the Town for action.

### **Highways.**

Percy Warren was appointed Superintendent of Streets March 25, 1914. He died June 24, 1917. In his brief term of office he displayed the same qualities which in other activities of life had endeared him to the people of the town—ability, industry, and conscientious devotion to duty. He established sound methods in the Highway Department, and the Selectmen take pleasure in recording this public tribute to his efficient work.

Raymond W. Coburn was appointed Superintendent of Streets and Town Engineer on August 3, 1917. Mr. Coburn brings to this work a thorough, scientific education and many years of practical experience as an engineer for the Massachusetts Highway Commission. We commend to the Town the most careful study of his report on our highways and their future care and development.

### **Special Articles in Warrant.**

A considerable public demand has arisen for the construction of a sidewalk on the southerly side of Central Avenue from School Street to the post-office. Article 6 has been inserted in the Warrant for this purpose.

The various organizations which use the lower Town Hall are anxious to have a piano installed there for public use. Article 7 of the Warrant will bring this matter before the Town.

It will be necessary to thoroughly screen the Town Hall before the summer, if the interior of the building is to be kept in first-class condition. The Selectmen are of opinion that this matter should be brought before the Town by a special article in the Warrant, and have therefore inserted Article 8 for this purpose.

### **Reduction of Town Debt.**

At the Annual Meeting held in March, 1917, the Town appropriated the sum of \$25,000 to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase and retirement of outstanding bonds of the Town. Pursuant to that authority the Selectmen purchased \$24,000 par value of Town Hall Bonds as set forth in the following schedule:—

Bonds Nos. 11 and 12 . . . . .	due March 1, 1919.
Bonds Nos. 13, 14, and 15 . . . . .	due March 1, 1920.
Bonds Nos. 18, 19, and 20 . . . . .	due March 1, 1921.
Bonds Nos. 22 and 23 . . . . .	due March 1, 1922.
Bonds Nos. 27 and 28 . . . . .	due March 1, 1923.
Bonds Nos. 29, 30, 31, and 32 . . . . .	due March 1, 1924.
Bonds Nos. 45 and 46 . . . . .	due March 1, 1928.
Bonds Nos. 49, 50, 51, and 52 . . . . .	due March 1, 1929.
Bonds Nos. 55 and 56 . . . . .	due March 1, 1930.

These bonds were cancelled and burned in the presence of the Town Treasurer and the Selectmen.

### **Town Finances.**

The outstanding direct debt of the Town on January 1, 1918, is \$59,000. This shows a reduction of \$29,000 from the figure of \$88,000 outstanding a year ago, \$5,000 having been paid on maturity, and \$24,000 purchased and cancelled as above set forth. This figure of \$59,000 is exclusive of Weston's proportionate share of the Metropolitan Park, Charles River Basin, and Charles River Bridge Loans of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts which are primarily the debt of the State, but which are

charged back upon the cities and towns of the Metropolitan Park District in proportions fixed by statute or by judicial decree.

The cash surplus of unappropriated funds in the treasury on January 1, 1918, is \$9,972.81. The surplus on January 1, 1917, was \$65,137.64. The large amount of the surplus last year was mainly due to unusually large December assessments in 1916 amounting to \$48,199.44. This surplus was not used merely to reduce last year's tax rate, but was utilized to the permanent advantage of the Town, \$25,000 having been appropriated as above stated to retire outstanding debt, and \$20,000 having been added to the Town Common appropriation for settlement of land damage claims and permanent improvements.

The appropriations in 1917 were \$153,380. The appropriations recommended by the Selectmen for 1918 amount to \$109,350.

The State tax in 1917 was \$19,910, the county tax was \$9,105.75, and the Metropolitan District taxes were \$6,687.55.

The county and metropolitan taxes for 1918 will probably not vary a great deal from the figures of last year, but the State Tax will be very greatly increased and will probably be over \$25,000.

The Town received from the Commonwealth in 1917, as its share of the proceeds of the new income tax law, the sum of \$55,424.68. It is impossible at the present time to forecast what amount Weston will receive during the coming year. Legislation is now pending which would entirely change the method of distribution, to the very serious detriment of this town. If the total proceeds were distributed equally among cities and towns upon the basis of the assessment of the tax and without regard to the amounts taxable locally before the enactment of the income tax law, Weston's proceeds would shrink from \$55,000 to less than \$25,000. Until the method of distribution is finally determined, the tax rate for 1918 cannot be fixed, and the Selectmen will probably call a special Town Meeting in the early summer to consider the financial situation at that time. It is obvious that the Town should exercise the most rigid economy in all departments.

The appropriation recommended for the Town Hall will be called upon to meet insurance premiums, amounting to more than

\$1,500. The appropriation for the health department must be substantially increased over last year's figure, owing to expenses for the care of contagious patients. The gypsy moth appropriation is recommended at \$5,000, to include \$3,000 for work this year, and \$2,000 to cover an outstanding bill due the Commonwealth for supplies furnished to the Moth Superintendent last year. The Selectmen did not know of the presence of this bill in time to have it paid before January 1. The total appropriations for highways and bridges as recommended show a reduction of more than \$4,000. The Selectmen respectfully urge the voters to give careful study to the table of appropriations in order that the work done by the various town departments may be thoroughly understood.

#### **George W. Cutting, Town Clerk.**

The Town is called upon this year to choose a successor to George W. Cutting, who has served faithfully as Town Clerk since his first election to that office in 1864. This unbroken record of public service, extending over more than half a century, is, we believe, without parallel in the history of the town, and very likely without parallel in the history of Massachusetts. The Selectmen are of the opinion that the Town should take official notice of Mr. Cutting's long service by the adoption of suitable resolutions at the Town Meeting.

ALFRED L. CUTTING.

BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG.

HERBERT E. TYLER.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY.

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN,—

*Gentlemen:*—The work of the Committee has been as follows:—

1. Plowing and harrowing was done practically at cost for nearly a hundred families in Weston. Fertilizer was delivered and seed potatoes were sold as nearly at cost as possible.
2. Financial aid was given in equipping a camp for school-boy workers upon the Louis W. Dean farm. The equipment is the property of the town and will be available in coming years. Two similar camps were placed upon their farms by Mr. C. H. Jones and Mr. C. W. Hubbard. In all, about fifty boys from out of town worked on Weston farms during the summer. In nearly all cases their employers speak highly of them and of their labor.
3. \$1,000 was presented as a company fund to the Machine Gun Company of the 8th Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard, wherein a number of Weston men had enlisted. Later this Company was disbanded. Efforts to trace the money have not been successful as yet.
4. Plans have been made to meet war-time emergencies such as the care of the homeless and sick, emergency equipment, emergency labor and transportation, home guarding, etc.
5. Before Christmas every Weston man in military or naval service was sent a silver medal bearing the town seal on one side and his name on the other, as a testimonial of the Town's honor for its men in arms. Many appreciative letters have been received from them.
6. The old Town Hall has been fitted up for the Weston Red Cross and French Wounded workers.
7. An active part was taken in the Liberty Loan and other drives.

The reports of the Treasurer, of the Soldiers' Information Bureau, and of the Food Conservation Committee are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

F. VAN NUYS,

*Chairman.*

WESTON, MASS., January 1, 1918.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER, COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY,  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING JANUARY 1, 1918.

RECEIPTS.

General Fund (Cash Subscriptions) . . . . .	\$2,706.77
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DISBURSEMENTS.

Paid for plowing and cultivation of land . . .	\$396.35
Less amount of reimbursements . . . . .	260.26
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Paid for Seed—including potatoes . . . . .	\$360.86
Less amount of reimbursements . . . . .	334.63
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Expense—Printing, Stationery, Stamps, etc. . . . .	134.40
Salary of Clerk . . . . .	200.00
Silver Medals . . . . .	147.32
Dean Camp—for equipment . . . . .	243.06
Advanced to Conservation of Food Committee . . . .	150.00
Soldiers' Aid—Machine Gun Company, 8th Regiment, Massachusetts National Guard . . . . .	1,000.00
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Cash on hand January 1, 1918 . . . . .	\$2,037.10
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	\$669.67

HORACE S. SEARS,

*Treasurer.*

WESTON, January 1, 1918.

## Honor Roll, Weston Men in the War.

Howard C. Arthur, U.S. Navy.

Francis R. Atkinson, 23d U.S. Engineers, Camp Laurel, Maryland.

Russell Livingston Baker.

Howard C. Baxter, First Class Fireman, Navy, France.

Weston D. Baxter, 14th Engineers R.R., Co. D, France.

Second Lieutenant Roger S. Bennett, 101st Infantry, Co. F, France.

Samuel C. Bennett, Jr., Ground Officers' Training School, Class 13, Kelly Field. No. 1, San Antonio, Tex.

Bernard L. Brenoid, 101st Infantry, Co. F, France.

Corporal Oscar C. Briggs, 101st Supply Train, 6th Truck Co., 26th Division, France.

Everett A. Brotchie, 14th Engineers R.R., Co. A, France.

Philip A. Burrage, 101st Engineers, Co. A, France.

Roland Lewis Bumpus, First Class Naval Reserve, Flying Corps.

Harold W. Coburn, 14th Engineers R.R., Co. A, France.

First Lieutenant Paul G. Courtney, Am. Exp. Force, France.

First Lieutenant Gordon Curtis, 302d Field Artillery, Camp Devens.

William C. Desmond.

Ensign Evans R. Dick, Jr., S. C. 36, U.S. Navy.

Second Lieutenant Robert M. Driver, 1st N.H. Infantry, Co. L, Camp Green, Charlotte, N.C.

Second Lieutenant Lawrence F. Dwight, Trench Mortar Battalion. (Died in France, Feb. 2, 1918.)

John S. Farlow, Ambulance, France.

First Lieutenant Charles H. Fiske, Jr., Signal Corps, Ground Section, Aviation, Washington, D.C.

Charles H. Fiske, 3d, Officers' Training School, Camp Upton, N.Y.

Gardiner Fiske, Aviation Section U.S. Signal Service, France.

Hannah Fiske, Shurtliff Relief, France.

First Lieutenant Stephen S. Fitzgerald, Camp Dix, New Jersey.

Major Walton A. Green, Assistant Senior Instructor, Camp Dix, New Jersey.

First Lieutenant George M. Henderson, 33d Engineers, Camp Devens, Ayer.

Lieutenant William J. Henderson, 101st Supply Truck Train, Co. 1, 26th Division, France.

Harry W. Hersum, 104th Infantry, 52d Brigade, Machine Gun Co., France.

Frederick S. Kenney, Naval Aviation. Detached.

Horace S. Kenney, Seaman, Naval Reserve. Detached.

Karl E. Kenney, Chief Machinist's Mate, Naval Reserve, Murray & Tregeutha Co., South Boston.

Ensign William O. Kenney, U.S. Navy. Detached.

Second Lieutenant Winthrop W. Kenney, 304th Infantry, U.S.R. Headquarters, Camp Devens, Ayer.

Second Lieutenant John Philip Lane, 101st Infantry, Machine Gun Co., France.  
Leslie H. Lewis, 18th Training Battalion, Co. 5, Depot Brigade, Camp Devens, Ayer.

John A. C. Livermore, Ambulance Co. 30, Fort Logan, Houston, Tex.  
Corporal Philip Lockwood, 101st Engineers, Co. C, 26th Division, France.  
Clifford E. Lovewell, Mechanic, 101st Supply Train, 6th Truck Co., France.  
John Francis McArt, First Class Yeoman, U.S. Naval Reserve Force, Washington, D.C.

Second Lieutenant Samuel McCullough, Fortress Monroe, Virginia.  
Ensign Charles E. Mead.  
Corporal Richard Mead, 101st Artillery, 51st Brigade, H. Division, France.  
Lieutenant John F. Meigs, U.S.N., U.S.S. Wainwright.  
Corporal Ernest A. Moore, 101st Engineers, Co. C, France.  
Captain Arthur H. Morse, 3d Motor Mechanics, Co. F, Camp Hancock, Augusta, Ga.

George F. Murdock, U.S. Naval Reserve, District Enrolling Officer, Charlestown, Mass.  
Captain John D. Nichols, 310th Infantry, Co. K, Camp Dix, New Jersey.  
J. Rider Powell, Jr., U.S.N.R.F., Bumpkin Island, Massachusetts.

Frederick J. Rand, 26th Infantry, Co. E, France.  
Thomas H. Robbins, Jr., U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.  
Earl Silvia, Aviation. Detached.  
Benjamin W. Stanley, Motor Launch Alase, Halifax, N.S.

Corporal Harold R. Stevens, 101st Supply Train, Co. 1, 26th Division, France.  
Sergeant Reginald W. Stevens, 101st Supply Truck Train, Co. 1, 26th Division, France.

Pickering D. Stone, 327th Headquarters, Co. Mounted Orderly, Camp Gordon, Atlanta, Ga.

Clifford S. Swenson, 101st Infantry, Co. F, 5th Division, France.  
Ensign Reginald D. Thomas, Naval Air Station, Miami, Fla.  
Ensign Edgar W. Upton, Jr., U.S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md.  
J. Sumner Viles, 14th Engineers R.R., Co. A, France.  
William A. Vittum, 104th Infantry, Machine Gun Co., 52d Brigade, France.  
Lieutenant Edw. Sohier Welch, U.S.S. Guinevere, France.  
John B. E. Wheeler, Ground Aviation, Second Signal Corps, Atlanta, Ga.  
Major Austin T. White, Headquarters Base, Section No. 2, France.  
Alexander Winsor, Co. F, Officers' Candidate, Training Battalion, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Philip Winsor, American Ambulance Field Service, France.  
Captain Robert Winsor, Jr., 303d Infantry, Co. F, Camp Devens, Ayer.  
Corporal Lawrence M. Wyatt, 101st Infantry, Co. F, France.

## REPORT OF WESTON FOOD CONSERVATION COMMITTEE.

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The canning season was opened in June with four free demonstration lectures on canning in the high school kitchen, by Mrs. Mary E. Hutchinson, who had made a business of home fruit growing and canning for years. Average attendance, 65 women.

The Community Canning Kitchen was operated in the Weston High School: Mondays-Fridays, inclusive, 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. from June 28 to September 22, 1917, making a total of 57 days in all.

Working corps consisted of: 1 paid canning expert, 1 paid assistant from August 6 to September 22, 1 janitor (part time), an average of 9 volunteer workers a day (including a supervisor and desk clerk).

Amount of food conserved:—

Jars and glasses to fill orders when people brought their own vegetables . . . . .	2,060
Jars and glasses as kitchen stock . . . . .	3,122
Jars spoiled . . . . .	50
 Total . . . . .	 5,232
 Dried corn and beans, etc., pints . . . . .	 278
Average work per day, dried and canned, qts., pts., glasses . . . . .	96
Vegetables donated, bushels . . . . .	117
Vegetables bought (kitchen stock), bushels . . . . .	65

Acting as an educational and information centre the kitchen was able to:—

1. Give information as to where and for what price fruits and vegetables in season could be bought by individuals for home canning. An advisory committee headed by Mr. Herbert Tyler very kindly kept it posted on these matters.
2. Send, on request, trained canners to go to the homes to give instruction.
3. Give advice on canning, by telephone, at any time during its working hours.
4. Let individuals bring their own vegetables and can them, for 25 cents per lesson, under supervision of the expert.
5. Furnish interesting literature and give free lectures from time to time on food topics.

**Report on sales:—**

On October 20, kitchen held a sale to volunteers who worked in kitchen. 175 different women worked in kitchen during summer. 65 availed themselves of this sale. Each woman was allowed to buy 6 quarts for each day she had worked, at an average of 20 cents a jar. A free war lunch was served at this sale, attended by 90 women. 1,450 jars were sold to volunteers.

On January 26 kitchen held a public sale. Jars and glasses sold, 1,400. Balance of kitchen stock, 270 jars, is to be given to the Waltham Hospital.

**Treasurer's Report (following figures are approximately correct, but not exact, owing to short space of time since last sale):—**

**Received:—**

Loaned by Public Safety Committee . . . . .	\$600.00
Gift . . . . .	305.00
Orders taken at kitchen (on hand) . . . . .	612.27
Sale to volunteers October 20 (on hand) . . . . .	207.68
Sale to public January 26 (on hand) . . . . .	263.25
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	\$1,988.20

## Expenses:—

Wages . . . . .	\$402.65
Jars, rubbers . . . . .	390.43
Equipment . . . . .	118.53
Kitchen expenses, vegetables, etc. . . . .	130.00
Grocer . . . . .	118.21
Printing . . . . .	65.39
Fuel, coal and wood . . . . .	25.33
	_____
	\$1,250.54
Returned to Public Safety . . . . .	450.00
	_____
	1,700.54
	_____
Balance on hand . . . . .	\$287.66
Bills receivable . . . . .	368.90
	_____
	\$656.56
Not yet paid:—	
Balance Public Safety loan . . . . .	\$150.00
Gift . . . . .	305.00
	_____
	455.00
	_____
	\$201.56

The Committee are indebted to the Public Safety Committee for its financial aid which made it possible to open the kitchen, and to the enthusiastic support and interest of its volunteer and paid workers for the work accomplished.

In December a census taken in Weston shows: 24,000 jars and glasses home canning done. 60 families had canned but not counted. 50 families had canned *none*.

Weston has 256 members of the Weston Food Conservation League.

Weston has 365 members of the United States Food Administration (Hoover Pledge Card).

MRS. JOHN B. PAINE,  
*Chairman.*

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH SUPPRESSION.

WESTON, January 1, 1918.

TO THE SELECTMEN:

In common with most of the undertakings of the Town, the Department of Moth Suppression has been seriously hampered by the scarcity of labor, increased cost of materials, and also in our case a very wet and consequently unsatisfactory spraying season. However, "it's an ill wind that blows no good," so while the rains retarded spraying operations or washed the poison off after the leaves were sprayed, they also produced an abundant foliage that was but little damaged.

It is very gratifying to note that in some sections of the town many of the gypsy moth egg clusters are partially parasitized, in some places the parasitism running as high as 30 or 40 per cent. At present I am having experiments made to determine how widespread this condition is. I feel that the policy of depending almost entirely on spraying to control the gypsy moth is the most economical and satisfactory one, and estimate the sum of \$6,000 will be necessary to continue the work in 1918.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. RIPLEY.

## REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS.

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WESTON, MASS., December 31, 1917.

**TO THE HONORABLE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

*Gentlemen,—*I respectfully submit herewith the 1917 annual report of the work done by the Highway Department for the year ending December 31:—

This report will, from necessity, lack many of the details given in former years, due to the fact that the department has been under three different heads during the year. This latter fact makes it very difficult for me to give the amount of money spent on each street during the year or to give detailed information on the work done during the first eight months of the year.

However, with the help of the Auditor, I have made up the following table, which shows the principal items of expense for the year. For the sake of comparison I have added, in a separate column, similar figures for 1916. (These figures are not exact, but are very close.)

<i>Distribution of Expense.</i>	<i>1917.</i>	<i>1916.</i>	<i>Recommendations for 1918.</i>
<b>General Maintenance:</b>			
Road binders (oil and tar) . . .	\$7,144.31	\$4,218.58	
Labor (not including roller, engineer and teamsters) . . .	6,082.96	6,717.25	
Horses and double teams . . .	2,971.20	3,184.98	
Operation and repair of rollers,	1,480.25	1,573.17	
Crushed stone (Massachusetts Broken Stone Co.) . . . . .	647.72	219.95	
Gravel, sand, and field stone .	245.00	503.55	
Equipment and repairs . . . .	959.90	354.43	
Pipe, cement and lumber . . .	181.22	317.25	
All other expenses . . . . .	1,557.10	1,729.99	
 <b>Total General Maintenance,</b>	<b>\$21,269.66</b>	<b>\$18,819.15</b>	<b>\$17,500.00</b>

Sidewalks . . . . .	626.65	254.25	1,000.00
Snow and Ice . . . . .	944.26	1,263.91	1,000.00
Other expenses . . . . .	409.75	706.96	500.00
Machinery and Equipment . .	3,709.90	2,500.00	1,500.00
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	\$26,960.22	\$23,544.27	\$21,500.00

Briefly, the work carried on during the early part of the season consisted first of cleaning up all the sidewalks and gutters of their accumulation of sand and waste of the past winter and then the gravel and earth roads were scraped and shaped. Attention was then turned to the construction of the tar macadam surface on Concord Road between Cherry Brook Station and Merriam's Corner. This latter work necessitated the crushing of stone, and in so doing fine material was made for covering the Tarvia B, which was later applied to most of the streets having bituminous surfaces.

Thus, when I assumed the duties of this position, about September first, I found the streets of Weston in a very creditable condition. The main streets and most of those maintained with bituminous materials had already been treated with Tarvia and were, as a whole, smooth and free from ravelling. The side streets, those built of earth and gravel, seemed to be the ones that needed the most attention, and, after looking the situation over carefully with the Selectmen, it was decided to discontinue the construction work that was planned to be done on Concord Road and devote our whole attention to the improvements of the gravel and earth roads. This seemed to be the wisest course, inasmuch as there was only a small portion of the year's appropriation left and it was only by spending the money on maintenance, thus using it for labor instead of material, that our organization could be kept together without asking for more money.

### **Improvement of Earth and Gravel Roads.**

Accordingly, the work was laid out to take those streets that were in the worst condition, streets that has had only a little

money spent on them during the last few years, and put them in a smoother and more satisfactory condition. On these streets we tried to remove or blow out all the boulders or ledge that projected into the road surface, widen the travel way so that two vehicles could pass one another without turning off the road, clean up the roadside by cutting and burning the brush, thus improving the line of sight, and open up the gutters and waterways so that surface water would not damage the road. After this was done, the intention was to spike up the old road surface with the roller, reshape it with the road machine and the addition of new gravel, and finally to roll it out smooth again. The spiking up and rerolling was left unfinished in some cases, due to the limited time. Work of this nature was done on the following streets: Lexington Street, Lincoln Street, Concord Road, Sudbury Road, Highland Street, Love Lane, and Chestnut Street, and scraping and widening was done on Winter Street, Bogle Street, Brown Street, and Merriam Street.

### **Patching of Road Surfaces.**

Besides the work being done on the earth and gravel roads, one man was kept constantly at work patching and painting the bituminous roads. He was fitted out with a single team, the different kinds of tar and oil and the necessary tools, and was able to take a different street about every day. By this method we tried to patch the holes in the surface before they became large ones, and even tried to paint the weak places in the bituminous surface with tar before a hole developed. The patching of the gravel roads was looked after by the auto truck and one extra man. It was done with crushed gravel, obtained by using a crusher run from the pit up to  $1\frac{3}{4}$ ". This patching, which I think is neglected in most towns, is very important, and I think "A stitch in time" applies just as much in road maintenance as in any other line of work, and will save much money for the town and inconvenience to the public, if practised.

### Sidewalks and Catch Basins.

Not as much sidewalk work was done as I hoped. This was due to the scarcity of labor and to the fact that the winter weather came earlier than expected. The work done consisted mostly of the extension of the tar concrete on Concord Road, from the end of the 1916 work to Merriam's Corner, and of some one coat work on the same street, where the sidewalk was going to pieces. Curb inlet stones and D-frames and grates were set at the following catch basins, where more water was received than could be carried away by the old grates:—

- (1) At foot of hill on South Avenue, on the left, about 100 feet west of bridge.
- (2) At foot of hill on Conant Road, at junction of road to New Town Hall.
- (3) At foot of Pigeon Hill Road.

These inlet stones and the D-frames and grates will take much more water into them than any other grate I know of, and with them there is much less danger of the grate becoming clogged up with sticks, leaves, and straw that is washed onto them.

### Machinery and Equipment.

The appropriation for machinery was spent for an Auto-Car truck and a Haiss loading machine, and the balance on the roller bought in 1916. Both the auto truck and the Haiss loader have already proved their usefulness on our work; the truck in making the long hauls, and the loader in taking the place of labor, at a time when labor is very hard to get.

In regard to Machinery and Equipment, I think the Town is very well supplied. I know of no town that has any better equipment. We have everything to do with and it is all in good condition, and it was bought, for the most part, at a time when machinery was about one-half its present prices.

For this most fortunate position in which the Town now finds

itself, we owe our thanks to Mr. Percy Warren, whose foresight of conditions and great knowledge of all kinds of machinery has given us equipment that will in the future save us both time and expense. That he could not have remained with us to carry out the plans that he had in mind is indeed to be regretted, for in him the Town has lost a most faithful servant and efficient Superintendent of Public Works.

### Street Data.

We have in Weston approximately  $47\frac{1}{2}$  miles of streets, of which 3 miles are State highway. The State highway is maintained by the Highway Commission, leaving  $44\frac{1}{2}$  miles of road to be kept up by our Town Department.

The types of surfaces on the various streets, on December 31, 1917, were as follows:—

#### TYPES OF SURFACES ON STREETS OF WESTON.

Name.	Miles.	Bitu-minous Macadam.	W. B. Macadam Tarvia Surface.	Gravel Tarvia Surface.	Gravel Oil Surface.	Earth and Gravel.
Ash Street . . . . .	1.30	—	—	0.90	—	0.40
Bogle Street . . . . .	0.60	—	—	—	—	0.60
Brown Street . . . . .	0.70	—	—	—	—	0.70
Chestnut Street . . . . .	0.90	—	—	—	—	0.90
Church Street . . . . .	1.30	0.50	0.40	0.40	—	—
Crescent Street . . . . .	0.31	—	—	—	—	0.31
Cross Street . . . . .	0.11	—	—	—	—	0.11
Cliff Road . . . . .	0.54	—	—	0.54	—	—
Conant Road . . . . .	2.50	—	—	0.20	—	2.30
Concord Road . . . . .	2.30	0.40	—	—	—	1.90
Central Avenue . . . . . (0.16 Town Road)	3.16	0.16	—	—	—	—
Fiske Street . . . . .	0.07	—	—	—	—	0.07
Glen Road . . . . .	1.43	—	1.43	—	—	—
Highland Street . . . . .	2.10	—	—	—	—	2.10
Intervale Road . . . . .	0.40	—	—	—	—	0.40
Lexington Street . . . . .	1.00	—	—	—	—	1.00
Lincoln Street . . . . .	0.07	—	—	—	—	0.07
Loring Street . . . . .	0.70	—	—	—	—	0.70
Love Lane . . . . .	0.70	—	—	—	—	0.70
Maple Street . . . . .	0.15	—	—	0.15	—	—
Merriam Street . . . . .	1.70	—	—	—	—	1.70

Newton Street . . .	1.80	—	1.80	—	—	—
North Avenue . . .	2.60	0.50	1.00	1.10	—	—
Oak Street . . .	0.80	—	—	0.80	—	—
Old County Road . . .	0.25	—	—	—	—	0.25
Ox Bow Road . . .	0.30	—	—	—	—	0.30
Park Road . . .	0.90	—	—	0.90	—	—
Pigeon Hill Road . . .	0.91	—	—	—	—	0.91
Pine Street . . .	0.70	—	—	—	—	0.70
Ridgeway Road . . .	1.40	—	—	—	—	1.40
Riverside Road . . .	0.60	—	—	0.60	—	—
River Street . . .	1.00	—	—	1.00	—	—
School Street . . .	0.60	0.30	0.30	—	—	—
Summer Street . . .	1.40	—	—	—	—	1.40
South Avenue . . .	4.10	0.60	—	3.50	—	—
Sibley Road . . .	0.10	—	—	—	—	0.10
Silver Hill Road . . .	0.46	—	—	—	—	0.46
Sudbury Road . . .	0.70	—	—	—	—	0.70
Viles Street . . .	0.50	—	—	—	—	0.50
Wave Street . . .	0.19	—	—	—	—	0.19
Wellesley Street . . .	4.10	0.10	0.50	1.50	2.00	—
Winter Street . . .	1.70	—	—	—	—	1.70
Town Hall Road . . .	0.30	—	—	—	—	0.30
	47.45	2.56	5.43	11.59	2.00	22.87

The above streets I have divided into three classifications taking into consideration both the amount of travel and the number of houses on each. This classification puts all the roads under one of three headings:—

1. Main Roads.
2. Secondary Roads.
3. Other Roads.

In making my recommendations I have figured on spending \$600 per mile on the main roads, \$400 per mile on the secondary roads, and \$300 per mile on the other roads. These figures are used only for the purpose of estimating, and conditions may make it necessary to spend twice as much on some roads and half as much on others.

CLASSIFICATION OF ROADS AND ESTIMATE FOR  
 MAINTENANCE.

Name.	1911. Miles.	Main Roads.	Secondary Roads.	Other Roads.	Recommended for 1918.
Ash Street . . . . .	1.30	—	—	1.30	\$390.00
Bogle Street . . . . .	0.60	—	—	0.60	180.00
Brown Street . . . . .	0.70	—	—	0.70	210.00
Chestnut Street . . . . .	0.90	—	—	0.90	270.00
Church Street . . . . .	1.30	—	1.30	—	520.00
Crescent Street . . . . .	0.31	—	—	0.31	90.00
Cross Street . . . . .	0.11	—	—	0.11	30.00
Cliff Road . . . . .	0.54	—	—	0.54	165.00
Conant Road . . . . .	2.50	—	—	2.50	750.00
Concord Road . . . . .	2.30	—	2.30	—	920.00
Central Avenue . . . . . (0.16 Town Road)	3.16	0.16	—	—	100.00
Fiske Street . . . . .	0.07	—	0.07	—	28.00
Glen Road . . . . .	1.43	—	1.43	—	580.00
Highland Street . . . . .	2.10	—	—	2.10	630.00
Intervale Road . . . . .	0.40	—	—	0.40	120.00
Lexington Street . . . . .	1.00	—	—	1.00	300.00
Lincoln Street . . . . .	0.07	—	0.07	—	28.00
Loring Street . . . . .	0.70	—	—	0.70	210.00
Love Lane . . . . .	0.70	—	—	0.70	210.00
Maple Road . . . . .	0.15	—	0.15	—	60.00
Merriam Street . . . . .	1.70	—	1.70	—	680.00
Newton Street . . . . .	1.80	1.80	—	—	1,080.00
North Avenue . . . . .	2.60	2.60	—	—	1,560.00
Oak Street . . . . .	0.80	—	—	0.80	240.00
Old County Road . . . . .	0.25	—	—	0.25	75.00
Ox Bow Road . . . . .	0.30	—	—	0.30	90.00
Park Road . . . . .	0.90	—	0.90	—	360.00
Pigeon Hill Road . . . . .	0.91	—	—	0.91	270.00
Pine Street . . . . .	0.70	—	—	0.70	210.00
Ridgeway Road . . . . .	1.40	—	—	1.40	420.00
Riverside Road . . . . .	0.60	—	0.60	—	240.00
River Street . . . . .	1.00	—	1.00	—	400.00
School Street . . . . .	0.60	0.60	—	—	360.00
Summer Street . . . . .	1.40	—	—	1.40	420.00
South Avenue . . . . .	4.10	4.10	—	—	2,460.00
Sibley Road . . . . .	0.10	—	—	0.10	30.00
Silver Hill Road . . . . .	0.46	—	0.46	—	200.00
Sudbury Road . . . . .	0.70	—	—	0.70	210.00
Viles Street . . . . .	0.50	—	—	0.50	150.00
Wave Street . . . . .	0.19	—	—	0.19	60.00
Wellesley Street . . . . .	4.10	—	4.10	—	1,640.00
Winter Street . . . . .	1.70	—	—	1.70	510.00
Town Hall Road . . . . .	0.30	—	0.30	—	120.00
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(less State Road) . . . . .	47.45	9.26	14.38	20.81	\$17,576.00
	3.00	at	at	at	
	<hr/>	\$600.00	\$400.00	\$300.00	
	44.45	per mile.	per mile.	per mile.	

### Plans and Outline of Work for 1918.

In making my plans and recommendations for 1918, I fully realize that this is not a time to speak of expensive road construction and that estimates for appropriations should be reduced to a minimum figure consistent with the proper maintenance of our roads.

I am therefore outlining a system whereby I hope we can keep our roads in their present good condition or actually improve them and yet reduce the appropriation for our department. I am to lay emphasis on maintenance and shall try to keep the surfaces as I find them, smooth and free from pot-holes. If I find there is more money than I need for maintenance alone, I shall use it for light re-surfacing, and not for new and costly construction.

To make this maintenance work more thorough, and with the idea of having it more carefully done, I am planning to divide the town into three sections, each section to have approximately fifteen miles of road and a patrolman to look after it. The patrolman, or repair-man, will be expected to cover every bit of road in his section at least once a week, either with me or by himself. I hope by this system to encourage rivalry between the different sections, so that each patrolman will try to keep his section in better shape than the others.

#### Division of Town into Three Sections.

Section 1—between Central Avenue and South Avenue, including the former but not the latter. Mileage, 15.32+.

Section 2—north of Central Avenue, to include all streets except Crescent Street. Mileage, 14.62.

Section 3—south of South Avenue and including same. Mileage, 14.47.

The patrolman's duties will be to do all the patching and painting and light work in his section, to look after all sidewalk repairs, to keep gutters and waterways open and clear, and to

keep his section in a clean and neat condition. This man will be provided when necessary with a single team, and he will have all the necessary tools for the proper performance of his work. Around this man, as the occasion may require, can be built a squad of two or three men who will be under his direction.

In addition to the patrolmen mentioned above, I plan to have a gang of four to five men who will do the heavier work in all three sections and at times may perhaps work with the patrolman in that particular section. This gang will do the crushing as it may be required, will get out gravel from the pits, and will look after the bituminous work which requires several men in order to get out the sand covering and cover the tar after it is applied.

By this system I hope to have a more flexible organization, an organization that can do several things at the same time, and yet, if the occasion demands, it can be gathered into one unit for a piece of new construction, or any heavy work requiring more men.

### **Details of Maintenance.**

Certain details that I hope to lay stress on this year are: Drainage, Alignment, Cross-section and Crown, and Roadside.

**DRAINAGE.**—Drainage may well be said to be the one most important phase of highway construction or maintenance. Without proper drainage the most expensive road surface will be a failure. Drainage should be considered both above and below the road surface.

Surface drainage should provide for all water that comes to the surface of the road. This water should be led to a proper outlet without excessive ponding or washing the road surface. A proper road section will throw surface water to the gutters, and they in turn should be kept clean so that they will not become clogged, thus throwing a stream of water across the centre of the road.

Drainage below the surface consists of getting the ground water away from the foundations of the road. For if the foundations are soft and spongy or saturated with water, the surface is sure to break up. Those places that break up and become soft in the

spring are usually places where water is held in a pocket beneath the surface or a place where water comes to the surface as from a spring. These places can almost always be tapped and the water led away, and as a rule the mud hole dries up and gives no further trouble.

**ALIGNMENT AND LINE OF SIGHT.**—In many places in town there are bad curves or intersecting streets where it is impossible for a traveller going in one direction to see one coming in the opposite direction. These places should be made safe by improving the line of sight, which usually can be done by cutting the brush or sloping the bank which obstructs the view. Many of the worse curves would no longer be dangerous if an unobstructed view could be had around them, and it will be one of our objects this year to gradually eliminate all these points of danger.

**CROSS-SECTION OR CROWN.**—The crown on some of our roads, more especially the tar roads, is too steep, and this together with the smooth glassy spots of Tarvia X makes them very slippery for horses in cold weather when the streets are wet or icy. This excessive crown can be lightened by building up the shoulders, and in most cases these shoulders should be widened so that there is from three to six feet of gravel on either side of the hardened surface, for the horse-drawn travel. An ideal road section, one that should satisfy all kinds of travel, would be a hardened surface eighteen to twenty feet wide, with five-feet gravel or macadam shoulders on either side for horses. This latter section was adopted by the Town of Manchester in 1916 on their main street to Beverly.

**ROADSIDE.**—In most towns, little attention, if any, is paid to the roadside, it being allowed to grow up to weeds and brush and to become a dump for useless material. This often interferes with the proper drainage of the gutters, as they become filled up with the waste material or brush left on the side of the road. I believe that a little money spent on the roadside, cutting the weeds and useless brush and picking up the accumulation of waste material, is wisely spent and improves the general appearance of the road more than is generally recognized. Our country

roads should be beautiful as well as serviceable, but they cannot be such unless they are looked after from wall to wall or to the limits of the street location. Many of our streets would be wonderfully improved if the old dead brush was cleaned up and the trees well trimmed.

### **Newton Street.**

As was stated in last year's report, a petition for the widening or re-location of Newton Street was pending before the County Commissioners. A plan for widening and re-locating has already been made, but it is doubtful if much work is done on same this year, on account of the war. The new layout plan calls for a fifty-foot location the entire length of the street, and when carried out will make the street much safer.

If this location is to be put off till after the war, I hope to be able to make the present surface much safer for travel by decreasing the crown in some places and widening and banking the curves where they are dangerous. This latter work could be done at a small expense and would improve the road for safety wonderfully.

### **Location Plans and Engineering Data.**

I feel that all data of the Town work should be filed in the Town Hall for future reference. This data belongs to the Town and should be filed there, and not at homes of individuals. I am planning to get together all location plans and layouts that have been made within the town, whether by state, county, corporation, or private engineers.

Already I have plans of the State Highway and some six or eight county layouts and hope to have blueprints of all the tracings available by spring. These blueprints and plans should be kept at an office in the Town Hall, and I mean to add to the plans the drainage systems that have already been installed and all future drains. Also in time these plans should show all underground structures as well as pole locations and lights.

### Recommendations.

For the coming year I would make the following recommendations:—

General maintenance . . . . .	\$17,500.00
Equipment and repairs . . . . .	1,500.00
Sidewalks . . . . .	1,000.00
Snow and ice . . . . .	1,000.00
Other expenses . . . . .	500.00
	\$21,500.00

This total amount compares with an appropriation of \$26,800 in 1917, and shows a reduction of \$5,300 asked for by this department. The reduced appropriation for General Maintenance really means a reduction of 25 per cent. from last year's figures, for while my recommendation has reduced the amount by 12½ per cent., labor and teams have gone up an average of 13 per cent., which means that we can only figure on three-quarters of the amount of work that was planned in 1917.

Before closing, I wish to express my appreciation for the help rendered by Mr. Augustus M. Upham, who has continued to act as foreman on the work and has cheerfully co-operated with me in all my plans. Also to the several men of the department, all of whom have shown a very good spirit of co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

RAYMOND W. COBURN,

*Superintendent of Streets.*

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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The School Committee respectfully submits the following report for the year ending December 30, 1917:—

At the annual Town Meeting held on Monday, March 26, 1917, Mr. Warren P. Adams, Jr., was re-elected for a term of three years.

The Committee organized at its meeting held on April 2, by electing Mrs. Carolyn E. Burrage, Chairman, and Mr. Charles O. Richardson, Secretary.

Ten regular meetings and two special meetings were held during the calendar year.

Mr. Charles M. Eaton, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Darius B. Vittum and Mr. Frank H. Upham, Attendance Officers, and Mr. Allan Cameron, Custodian of Buildings and Grounds, were all reappointed.

The school census taken as of September 1, 1917, was as follows:

408 between the ages of five and sixteen.

48 five years of age or over and under seven years.

273 seven years of age or over and under fourteen years.

87 fourteen years of age or over and under sixteen years.

Illiterate minors, 0.

### Teachers and School Attendance.

Mr. Charles M. Eaton was duly appointed Master of the High School, and in addition the following teachers were appointed as regular teachers in the schools for the school year 1917-18:—

Mr. A. H. Wigren.

Miss Gertrude M. Jackson.

Miss Marian Shaw.

Miss Emma F. Ripley.

Miss Helen Green.

Miss Constance E. Burrage.

Miss Dora L. Kirwin.  
 Miss Alice M. Hosmer.  
 Miss Ella Richardson.  
 Miss Emily F. Adams.  
 Miss Beatrice Upham.

Miss Hazel M. Staples.  
 Miss Annie R. Jamieson.  
 Miss Rebecca McKenna.  
 Miss Elizabeth Viles.

In addition to the above the following were appointed:—

Drawing—Miss Sarah E. Jewett.  
 Music—Mr. Charles E. Boyd.  
 Manual Training—Mr. Philip E. Perry.

Later in the year resignations were received and accepted from Miss Beatrice Upham, Miss Gertrude M. Jackson, and Mr. A. H. Wigren. The following appointments were made.

Miss Virginia Mabry.  
 Mr. Hollis D. Hatch.  
 Miss Frances Upham.  
 Miss Laura M. K. Fisher.

And at the regular meeting of the Committee held in September, Miss Kirwin was granted leave of absence for the ensuing school year.

The Committee again wishes to express its appreciation to Mr. Horace S. Sears for continuing to grant to the teachers the free use of one of his houses on Central Avenue known as the "Teachers' Lodge." During the summer and fall months Mr. Sears made quite an extensive addition to the Lodge, making it possible for several more teachers to make their home there besides adding greatly to the comfort and enjoyment of all who are now occupying it. The value of the "Teachers' Lodge" to the efficient management of the schools cannot be overestimated.

For the school year ending June 30, 1917, the average daily attendance has been 315, and the schools were actually in session 183 days.

ATTENDANCE STATISTICS, 1917-1918.

GRADE.	TOTAL MEMBERSHIP.			Average Attendance.	Perfect in Attendance.
	Fall.	Winter.	Spring.		
High . . .	77	95	89	82.3	79.9
					Mary Alderson, 5 years; Elsa Sammet, 3 years; Hollis Wagstaff, 3 years; Louise Arnold, 2 years; Elsie Arnold, 2 years; Spencer Whitemore, David Perry, Helen Johnson.
VIII. . . .	30	38	36	33.5	31.7
VII. . . .	43	28	29	31.3	29.5
VI. . . .	24	31	30	26.7	25.6
V. . . .	30	31	28	27.2	25.9
					Dorothy Hallett, Joseph Law.
IV. . . .	38	45	44	36.3	33.3
III. . . .	26	22	20	20.5	19.0
II. . . .	23	26	23	21.5	20.0
I. . . .	35	35	30	30.9	26.1
North . . .	18	22	20	19.0	18.0
South . . .	11	11	11	8.5	8.0
					None.

*Special Note.*—During the school year ending June, 1917, the South School had the unusual number of 113 days out of 182 when every child was punctually present—"perfect days." The following children were members of the school:—

Heath Charlot.	Mary Hoye.
Charles Cutter.	Catherine Parker.
Lauria DuPont.	Robert Pitman.
Sumner Foster.	Felix Hurd.
Alice Fraser.	Mildred Browers.
Jean Fraser.	Leslie Lawrence.
John Hoye.	

### Appropriations.

At the annual Town Meeting held on March 26, 1917, the sum of \$32,150 was appropriated for the use of the schools; and at a special Town Meeting held in October a special appropriation of \$3,200 to cover extraordinary expenditures to December 31, 1917, was made. Only a portion, however, of this special appropriation was expended.

The School Committee now recommends for the ensuing year appropriations as follows:—

Administration including salaries . . . . .	\$850.00
Other general expenses . . . . .	400.00
Teachers' salaries . . . . .	16,400.00
Text-books and supplies . . . . .	1,800.00
Transportation of pupils . . . . .	6,500.00
Janitor's services . . . . .	1,500.00
Fuel and light . . . . .	2,700.00
Maintenance of buildings and grounds . . . . .	2,000.00
Other expenses . . . . .	500.00
Tuition . . . . .	350.00
Total . . . . .	\$33,000.00

The Committee wishes to point out that a considerable portion of the money appropriated in 1916 for Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds was expended in building a coal-bin that would hold a year's supply, and for this reason certain items of renovating in connection with the school buildings, that the Committee had

expected to accomplish last year, were of necessity postponed. It is now necessary to have this work done, which together with the usual repairs for the year necessitates practically two years' repair work being done in one.

The Committee wishes to state, however, that the list of appropriations recommended above does not include any expenses for the running of the school located on South Avenue known as the South School, as it is not the intention of the Committee to reopen this school next September.

The Committee is advised that action of this nature is being taken quite generally by many towns in the State, for not only is it decidedly in the interests of economy, which at this time is imperative, but also the central schools offer much better educational opportunities to the children.

### **Transportation.**

In connection with the intended closing of the South School the Committee wishes to state that the change in transportation to motor vehicles has been put into effect over a number of routes, especially those affecting the south part of the town, so that all the children who have formerly attended the South School will be transported to the Centre by motor. Changes of additional routes to motor vehicles will be put into effect as soon as it seems to the Committee to be for the best interests of the system.

Attention is called to the fact that no increase in the appropriation for Transportation has been asked.

### **Work in the Schools.**

Details of the work that is being done in the schools will be found in the reports of the Superintendent of Schools and of the special teachers which follow.

CAROLYN E. BURRAGE,  
WARREN P. ADAMS, JR.,  
CHARLES O. RICHARDSON,

*School Committee of Weston.*

## Superintendent's Report.

WESTON, February 2, 1918.

Mrs. CAROLYN E. BURRAGE, Chairman of School Committee:

*Dear Madam,—*—In accordance with the wish that the reports of various departments of the Town shall this year be brief, I shall in this report confine myself to matters of especial importance.

### GENERAL REVIEW OF THE YEAR.

In the past year there has been a steady progress along the lines already familiar: thoroughness, rather than any attempt to meet every possible opportunity regardless of relative values; moral and mental training, rather than mere lessons; and effort to reach and help the pupil, rather than theoretical or brilliant courses of action.

### TEACHERS.

We change teachers less than most towns. In employing teachers a distinct effort is made to obtain teachers who will be in sympathy with our own methods, and will fit in the position for which they are employed, so that we may not be constantly changing. Yet we have several changes to record. Miss Beatrice Upham resigned her position in the South District School, and was succeeded in September by Miss Frances Upham.

Mr. Wigren resigned as sub-master in the high school, and that position is now filled by Mr. Hollis D. Hatch, who came from a teaching experience of two years in Exeter Academy.

For the French and German teaching in the high school, Miss Virginia Mabrey was secured from Traip Academy in Kittery, Maine, to replace Miss Jackson, who is now teaching in Stamford, Connecticut.

Miss Kerwin applied in August for a leave of absence: her grade was cared for by Mrs. Hill as substitute, and then by Miss Laura Fisher, who has taught for some time in Sudbury.

Miss Shaw was invited to accept a most advantageous position in Stamford, Connecticut, at Christmas-time, and was released from her contract for the year. Mrs. Hill was again pressed into service for the vacant position.

### WAR SERVICE.

The conditions caused by the country's entrance into war have affected our school in several ways. First, we have endeavored to do our share in ways of helpfulness.

Every pupil from Grade V. to the last year of high school, with all their teachers, are members of the Junior Red Cross, and work is being done, and will be done, for that organization.

Thrift Stamps are sold to the pupils, and they are being urged to make their savings as large as possible.

The school is being used as a channel of communication from various departments of government or war organizations, whenever possible. The Boy Scouts, in particular, have been ready with their services when called upon.

Effort has been made to encourage economy by the children in various ways, economy of their own time, economy of the supplies furnished by the Town, and therefore, by example, in all ways.

In this matter results have not been, as yet, what they should be.

#### PHYSICAL CULTURE.

Every effort has been made to put this work on a thorough basis. The boys have been given military drill, not so much for any military value in itself, as to arouse their enthusiasm and responsibility. During the winter a "setting-up" drill has been given, to broaden their shoulders, increase heart and lung power, and improve their carriage.

The girls have had the same amount of time in this work as has been given the boys, and with the same purpose—actual physical improvement—clearly in mind.

The methods used have, of course, been somewhat different.

#### TEACHING OF CITIZENSHIP.

Great effort has been made in English and History classes, and in the general talks given to the pupils, to teach them their responsibilities and duties in peace and war alike. In some pupils an encouraging and gratifying appreciation is evident; in all cases the seed is sown for a later harvest—and that constitutes the chief duty of the teacher.

#### COAL SITUATION.

During the summer the coal situation was so threatening that money which was to have been used for repairs and painting at the Centre and North Schools was most fortunately devoted to a large coal-bin. Sufficient coal was then obtained—with what has since been added during the cold weather—to place our schools almost in a class by themselves in the matter of continuing sessions unbroken. Not only was this bin most fortunate for this winter, but it will always be ready to receive the whole winter's supply of coal in the summer, when transportation and handling is easiest and best.

During the Christmas vacation, which was extended from one week to two, the fires were allowed to go out, and the water was drawn from the pipes. At the end, heat and water were restored without a single accident or breakage.

## REPAIRS FOR NEXT YEAR.

A considerable amount of repairing is imperatively needed for next year, including both those repairs which were postponed by the wise and prudent diversion of maintenance money to the coal-bin expense, and those which have been added by the passage of another year. Failure to keep buildings in repair is not true economy, and a complete job should be done in this matter this year.

## SOUTH SCHOOL.

If the South District School is to be kept open this next year, the total expense is likely to be as follows:—

Teachers' Salaries	\$550.00
Janitor's payments	150.00
Fuel	100.00
Repairs	50.00
Painting	150.00
Sundry expenses	50.00
Transportation of special teachers	50.00
 Total	 \$1,100.00

This is in addition to the usual supplies, which are the same wherever the pupils may attend. If the school is closed, and the children are carried by motor to the Centre, the additional expense of transportation will probably not be over \$150—perhaps less; for our transportation costs are often on a basis of ground covered rather than number of persons carried. In addition, the children profit by more specialized teaching in single grades, and are "better citizens" because of more general contact with other children of their own age.

In these war-days, when economy is a virtue, it is not wise to keep this small school open any longer at an increased expense of \$950 yearly.

## PUBLIC OCCASIONS.

The usual public occasions since the last report, Prize Declamations, Dramatics, Parents' Day, and Graduation Day, were all pleasant and successful means of attracting parents and friends to the school. We wish we might often see them on less special occasions.

PRIZE DECLAMATIONS OF THE WESTON HIGH SCHOOL.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1917, AT 7.30 P.M., IN THE HIGH SCHOOL HALL.

## PROGRAM.

CHORUS: "The Miller's Wooing" . . . . . Fanning  
Solos by ANNE COBURN  
and PHILIP COBURN

DECLAMATION: "Washington" . . . . . Lowell  
CHARLOTTE TRUITT.

DECLAMATION: "The New South" . . . . .	<i>Grady</i>
ARTHUR MOORE.	
DECLAMATION: "Dicky at Dancing School" . . . . .	<i>Daskam</i>
DOROTHY ALLISON.	
DECLAMATION: "Dares and Entellus" . . . . .	<i>Vergil</i>
OTTO YENS.	
DECLAMATION: "A Tragedy in Millinery" . . . . .	<i>Wiggin</i>
MARY CONNORS.	
DECLAMATION: "A Night on Chocorua" . . . . .	<i>Bolles</i>
WARREN EATON.	
DECLAMATION: "Wee Willie Winkie" . . . . .	<i>Kipling</i>
MARY ALDERSON.	
DECLAMATION: "Tommy Atkins" . . . . .	<i>Kipling</i>
MERRILL PALMER.	
DECLAMATION: "Scum o' the Earth" . . . . .	<i>Schaufler</i>
ANNE COBURN.	
DECLAMATION: "The Revenge" . . . . .	<i>Tennyson</i>
HAROLD MOSHER.	

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INTERMISSION.

CANTATA: "The Wreck of the Hesperus" . . . . .	<i>Anderton</i>
Solos by ELSA SAMMET and IRVING CONNOLLY.	
SONG: "The Venetian Gondolier" . . . . .	<i>Hadley</i>

## DECISION OF THE JUDGES.

SONG: "America" . . . . .	<i>Smith</i>
The Rev. Dr. Joseph E. Perry, the Rev. Palfrey Perkins, and Mr. Carl T. Rhoades have kindly consented to act as judges.	
Anne Coburn and Harold Mosher were winners of Girls'-Boys' First Prize, respectively; Dorothy Allison and Warren Eaton, Second Prizes.	

THE WESTON HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS "THE AMAZONS."  
FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 1917, AT 7.45 P.M., HIGH SCHOOL HALL.

## Cast.

BARRINGTON, VISCOUNT LITTERLY . . . . .	<i>G. Merrill Palmer, Jr.</i>
GALFRED, EARL OF TWEENWAYES . . . . .	<i>Wilbur H. Hallett</i>
ANDRE, COUNT DE GRIVAL . . . . .	<i>Warren F. Eaton</i>

Rev. ROGER MINCHIN . . . . .	Philip A. Connors
FITTON (a gamekeeper) . . . . .	Otto C. Yens
YOUATT (a Servant) . . . . .	Weston F. Blake
ORTS (a Poacher) . . . . .	Arthur J. Moore
MIRIAM, MARCHIONESS OF CASTLEJORDAN . . . . .	Mary E. Nash
LADY NOELINE BELTURBET { her daughters }	Anne C. Coburn
LADY WILHELMINA BELTURBET { daughters }	Verna M. Draper
LADY THOMASIN BELTURBET	Charlotte R. Truitt
"SERGEANT" SHUTER . . . . .	Margaret Blake

Act I. "The Tangle" in Overcote Park.

Act II. The same.

Act III. The Gymnasium, Overcote Hall.

TIME—A pleasant day in September.

Given under the direction of Miss GERTRUDE M. JACKSON,  
and Miss CONSTANCE E. BURRAGE.

#### PARENTS' DAY, WESTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

FRIDAY, MAY 11, 1917.

Parents and other friends are cordially invited to visit the schools on this day. In addition to the regular class-work, attention is invited to the following special features:

Exhibit of work in Manual Training, Sewing, Drawing, Cooking, with a variety of written work in Arithmetic, History, Geography, English, and similar classes, will be shown in the High School Hall during the school day, and also in the evening, from 7 to 9 P.M.

Special exercises will occur as follows:

- 8.40—9.20. High-School Singing.
- 9.20—9.40. Grade I.
- 9.40—10.00. Grade II.
- 10.00—10.10. Recess and Fire-Drill, Primary Grades.
- 10.10—10.30. Grade III.
- 10.30—11.00. Grade IV.
- 11.00—11.30. Grade V.
- 11.30—11.45. Exhibition Drill, High-School Boys.
- 12.00—12.30. Grade VI.
- 12.30—1.00. Grade VII.
- 1.00—1.10. Recess and Fire-Drill, Grammar Grades.
- 1.10—1.40. Grade VIII.
- 1.40—1.50. Exhibition-Drill, Grammar-School Boys.
- 2.00— Ceremony of lowering the Flag.

During this time the usual classes of the schools will be in progress. Classes in Manual Training may be visited from 9 to 10.15, and from 10.15 to 11.30. Classes in Sewing in the Grammar School may be visited at the same hours. In the High School especial attention is called to the class in Sewing at 1.40, in Cooking at 10.40, and in Laboratory Physics and Chemistry at 9.20.

Lunch will be served to visitors from 11.45 to 12.15 in the High School, second floor, by the pupils of the Domestic Science Department.

GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE CLASS 1917, OF  
WESTON HIGH SCHOOL.

IN THE SCHOOL HALL, FRIDAY, JUNE FIFTEENTH, AT 2 P.M.  
ORDER OF EXERCISES.

PRAYER.

SALUTATORY.

G. MERRILL PALMER, JR.

MUSIC: "To Thee, O Country!" . . . . . Eichberg  
SCHOOL.

ESSAYS: "Science in Housekeeping."

(a) "House Furnishings."

ELLEN E. BARTLETT.

(b) "Food Problems."

MILDRED A. AYER.

DECLAMATION: "The Last Class" . . . . . Daudet  
HELEN S. HARRINGTON.

ESSAY: "Grover Cleveland."

HAROLD A. MOSHER.

ORIGINAL TRANSLATION FROM VERGIL, in verse.

MARY E. NASH.

MUSIC: "The Skippers of St. Ives" . . . . . Roeckel  
SCHOOL.

ESSAY: "A Government of Checks and Balances."

ALICE M. NASON.

DECLAMATION: "A Message to Garcia" . . . . . Hubbard  
ARTHUR J. MOORE.

ESSAY: "The Cost of Living."

CHARLOTTE R. TRUITT.

DECLAMATION: "The Polish Boy" . . . . . Stephens  
MARION M. HENDERSON.

ESSAY: "Universal Military Training."

PHILIP F. COBURN.

MUSIC: "In Spain" . . . . . Di Chiara  
SCHOOL.

PROPHECY OF THE CLASS OF 1917.

MAY A. JONES.

VALEDICTORY, WITH ESSAY: "Russia."

ANNE C. COBURN.

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS.

"AMERICA."

## CLASS OF 1917.

Mildred Arlene Ayer.	May Alice Jones.
Ellen Elizabeth Bartlett.	Mary Elizabeth Nash.
Anne Cutter Coburn.	Charlotte Reineck Truitt.
Helen Sherwood Harrington.	Alice Mildred Nason.
Marion Margaret Henderson.	

Philip Fairbairn Coburn.	Harold Allen Mosher.
Arthur James Moore.	Grant Merrill Palmer, Jr.

## CHARLES J. PAINE SCHOLARSHIP.

This scholarship is held this year by G. Merrill Palmer, Jr., of the Class of 1917, as a member of the Freshman class of Harvard College.

## OTHER MATTERS OF INTEREST.

If it were not for the necessity for brevity, several other matters might profitably be discussed. Our special problem in discipline; discipline by community action among the pupils themselves; the value of the Manual Training courses in the high school; the attempt to substitute Spanish for German in the high school, with many other matters of interest, must be postponed or passed by.

All of these questions have been a subject of discussion and part of the study of the teachers of the schools.

The teachers of Weston try faithfully to do their part well: they deserve to have, and I feel do have, the appreciation and support of the townspeople.

Yours truly,

CHARLES M. EATON,  
*Superintendent of Schools.*

## Report of the Instructor of Manual Training.

## TO THE COMMITTEE:

One of the most important items of interest in our school life during the past year was the change in date for holding our exhibit of the pupils' work from graduation day to Parents' Day in May.

The results were gratifying in the extreme to every teacher and pupil, and correspondingly so to the parents and friends.

As far as the manual training department was concerned, a greater interest than ever was shown in the work, and at the special session in the evening the room was well filled from opening to closing time.

With the opening of the present school year the work started under promising conditions and is proceeding with a healthy interest in all classes.

In the high-school manual training class we have an increased number over last year and good average work is being accomplished, the projects this year being a luncheon table and a medicine cabinet.

As it disturbed the classes in the hall above, it was necessary to change the shafting that drives the lathes, from the ceiling to the floor, the work being done by the boys of the high-school class assisted by the boys from the upper grade.

The lathes are now running satisfactorily, and the annoyance to the room above is entirely removed.

A number of boys from the upper grades are enjoying the work in turning.

The class in mechanical drawing is large and most enthusiastic and is accomplishing unusually good work.

Beside the regular morning class those pupils who meet on Monday and Friday afternoons after school of their own volition are reaping the reward so well merited by their faithfulness in attendance and devotion to the work.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP E. PERRY,  
*Instructor Manual Training.*

## Music.

TO THE SCHOOL BOARD, WESTON, MASS.:

“And he heard his daughter’s voice  
Singing in the village choir;  
And it made his heart rejoice.”

One of the unfortunate results of music-training in our schools is the gradual elimination from our church choirs of the singers of more mature years by the younger singers,—the young people in our schools, or lately there.

It can be said that the young people have more time for the work. But in these days of shortened hours in almost all lines of work, it cannot be only the lack of time. There are so many attractions, distractions, and detractions to draw us away from duties, nowadays, that we hardly realize how conditions change. We used to hear of choir-singers who had “sat in the singers’ seats” twenty, twenty-five, and sometimes thirty years. Gray hair in the choir was the regular thing. Now, unfortunately, it is not seen enough. The young people are doing well, and are well started, but that is all. The twelve years of drill in good music is telling in the right way. If the older people, who should remain much longer than they do at present, are obliged to step down and out, we should be glad that the younger ones are able to

do good service. But the human voice needs time for its maturing. Weight and breadth come with years. Our school music-drill will supply the fresh voice, the attentive ear, and the agile mind, but it cannot supply the understanding that comes from years of varied experiences. Our choirs to-day read well. Musical directors, whose work takes them over the country, say that this fact is noticeable. It is a great satisfaction to know that the school music study bears practical fruit, and that our young people are useful in the community.

But I by no means think that we are doing all we could do in this direction. I know that every teacher is inclined to enlarge the importance of his own work. This, in a way, is right. Our subject takes on the importance in the minds of others that we ourselves give to it. Let me say, then, as an observance of many years, that a teacher who can teach music understandingly—I mean the regular grade teacher, is invariably a good teacher in all of her other subjects. I believe, therefore, that this subject of music teaching by our grade teachers should have every attention. One of the largest grammar schools in Boston is supplied teachers who are proficient in music first. There is no doubt in my mind of the wisdom of this plan.

CHAS. E. BOYD.

### Drawing.

TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, WESTON, MASS.:

The work in drawing and manual art has followed the outline of the course of study printed in the last report of the School Committee. The results have been very satisfactory. The course shows more handwork, and the technique has been gratifying.

The exhibition held in the High School Hall on Parents' Day gave a very good idea of the work. The teachers were asked to select work typical of their grade, so one could see the progress from the first grade through the high school.

I have followed the same schedule as last year, visiting the North and South Schools and having a conference of the Primary teachers once in three weeks.

The high-school work in lettering has been carried out along patriotic lines. The Red Cross and Food posters show excellent lettering and original thought. The Junior Red Cross League are planning the letters for their banner.

It has well been said that "Education to be worth anything must be more than practical, it must be practised."

SARAH ELIZABETH JEWETT,

PROSPECT HILL AVENUE, WALTHAM, MASS.

JANUARY 31, 1918.

### Report of School Physician.

TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE, WESTON, MASS.:

*Dear Sir,—*I beg to submit the following report.

On the whole, the health of the school-children has been good. In the fall a small epidemic of diphtheria in Grade III. was due probably to a carrier in the room who was apparently in good health.

During January the majority of the children in the South School were out with whooping-cough. Unfortunately this disease is not recognizable in the earlier stages, is extremely contagious, and I fear will continue to menace our schools, unless every child having a cough is kept at home.

The annual physical examination shows that our school-children are generally robust. Neglected teeth and poor posture continue to be their main defects. I note, however, some improvement among the boys, probably due to their periodic drills.

Fewer cases of diseased tonsils and adenoids are seen each year.

Respectfully yours,

F. VAN NUYS, M.D.

## REPORT OF THE SWIMMING-POOL COMMITTEE.

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**TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

Gentlemen,—As Mr. Brotchie was not available for manager of the swimming-pool for the year 1917, Mr. G. M. Palmer, Jr., was engaged for that purpose. The Committee feel that with Mrs. Wetherbee as matron and Miss Marion Wetherbee as teacher of the girls, the town has had very good service. We would like to call the attention of the citizens of the town to the large attendance of girls at the pool. We recommend an appropriation of \$800 for 1918. Enclosed report of Mr. Palmer.

EDWARD B. FIELD,  
CHAS. M. EATON,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Swimming-Pool Committee.*

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

WESTON, MASS., January 30, 1918.

**TO THE SWIMMING-POOL COMMITTEE OF WESTON:**

The summer of 1917 was very pleasant for every one. I am sure that the boys and girls of Weston enjoyed using the pool, especially during the intensely hot days that we had this summer, when it proved to be a great benefit. While the attendance was not so great as it has been in other years, it was very fair, being 2,957, of which 43 per cent., or 1,274, were boys, and 57 per cent. were girls.

In order that the pool might be clean, it was necessary to change the water and clean the sides and bottom once a week. This entailed considerable expense for the water, which comes from the town mains, but I considered that the cleaner water was quite worth the price. In conjunction with cleaning the pool, I recommend that the filter system be looked over very thoroughly, and repaired, for it caused a great deal of trouble in that the water would not seep through the sand rapidly enough, and so overflowed. It would also be a great help toward cleanliness if the sides and bottom were covered with several coats of white paint. This would make it smoother and hence easier to keep clean.

Respectfully,

G. M. PALMER, JR.

## REPORT OF THE PARK COMMISSIONERS.

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The Park Commissioners submit the following report for the year ending December 31, 1917:—

The Board organized by the election of Horace S. Sears as Chairman and Arthur L. Coburn as Secretary. Owing to the unusual amount of work demanding attention, frequent meetings and consultations have been held throughout the year. Settlement has now been made for all takings of land included in the Town Improvement plan with the exception of the lots formerly owned by Arthur L. Hersum, Charles O. Richardson, and the First Parish. The first two will probably be settled at an early date. The First Parish are glad to defer settlement, without prejudice and waiving interest, as long as the horse-sheds remain in their present location.

The Selectmen have granted the use of the old Town Hall to the Committee on Public Safety, who have fitted it up for the relief work that is being so splendidly carried on by the women of the town. This building will probably be retained, together with the horse-sheds, during the length of the war. Much of the heaviest work on the Town Common will thereby be postponed. But as soon as weather conditions permit some preliminary grading and work will be done and a path constructed from the village centre to the new Town Hall.

The grading and finishing of the grounds around the new Town Hall was undertaken by the contractors, Leighton-Mitchell Company, on a basis of cost plus ten per cent. The work has been excellently well done in conformity to the landscape architect's specifications, and the net cost was far less than the lowest bid received. The Town Common land was placed at the disposal last year of the Committee on Public Safety, and has been greatly

benefited by the breaking up of the soil and the enrichment it has received through its cultivation last summer.

The park land bordering on the Charles River has been again leased and cultivated by Mr. Edward Jennings at a rental of \$100.

To further settle for land takings and to enable the Commissioners to continue the Town Improvement plans, which it is their intention to hold down to a minimum of expense this year, we ask for an appropriation of \$8,000.

For a financial statement covering the expenses for the past year we refer to the reports of the Town Treasurer and the Town Auditor. When the entire Town Improvement plan is completed it will be interesting to compile the total cost from its first inception. Although the figures will mount up to a large sum, yet we are confident the Town will never regret having made this generous provision for its present needs and for the comfort and well-being of future generations.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE S. SEARS,  
ARTHUR L. COBURN,  
ROBERT WINSOR, JR.,

*Park Commissioners.*

WESTON, February 12, 1918.

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE PARK FUND.

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*Dr.*

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$1,197.43
Receipts:	
Waltham National Bank, Interest on Deposit, 1917,	25.80
Edward Jennings, Rent Park Land, 1916 . . . . .	100.00
Balance on deposit, December 31, 1917 . . . . .	\$1,323.23

ARTHUR E. UPHAM,  
*Treasurer.*

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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The Trustees of the Public Library of the Town of Weston respectfully submit their report for the year 1917 as follows:—

The outstanding event of the history of the Town Library during the past year has been the resignation of Mr. Justin E. Gale from its Board of Trustees. When Mr. Gale first stated his intention of resigning, his associates urged him strongly not to do so, and at their solicitation he withheld his resignation for a time, but finally stated to them that he felt he must ask that it be acted upon, and accordingly at a meeting of the Trustees held on November 5, 1917, his resignation was accepted and the following vote passed and spread upon their records:—

*"Voted* that at the repeated and urgent request of Justin E. Gale, the Library Committee reluctantly accept his resignation as member of the Board. His colleagues take this opportunity of expressing for themselves and on behalf of the town their keen appreciation of the invaluable services which Mr. Gale has rendered the town since his election to the Board in November, 1903, during all of which period he has been elected its chairman. His unfailing courtesy, generosity, and fair-mindedness will always be gratefully and most pleasantly borne in remembrance by his associates, while his wise counsels, unerring literary judgments, and systematic attention to business details have been of inestimable value to the town.

Our abiding good wishes for his health and happiness follow him in his insistent retirement from the Board of Trustees."

Subsequently, at a joint meeting of the Selectmen and Library Trustees held under the provisions of the by-laws of the town of Weston on November 6, 1917, Rev. Palfrey Perkins was chosen to fill out the term for which Mr. Gale was elected by the town.

The story of the year otherwise has been a record of the usual library routine. Miss Pennock as librarian has continued her faithful and efficient service, and great credit for the manner in

which the Library is organized and made available to the citizens of the town is due to her and her assistants. Her report as librarian follows, and an examination of it will show that many friends of the Library who in past years have made gifts of books to it have continued their donations during the past year. The investment of the Library's funds is substantially as reported last year.

The Trustees desire to make the Library as useful as possible to the town; to build up slowly a well-balanced collection of books. They recognize that they are under the duty of furnishing a reasonable amount of current fiction for the entertainment of those who use the Library, but they hope to do more than this, and to collect gradually the great works of literature, art, science, history, and all other fields of human effort. The Town Library should during the continuance of the war be so conducted as to furnish as much information as possible concerning the matters which relate to the war and its conduct. With this in view many purchases of current war books have been made during the past year. It is hoped, during the coming year, to buy still more of these books and perhaps to fit up a room with war maps, with technical works relating to the various branches of the service, with histories of the countries involved, and with books which attempt to deal with problems which will arise after the war is over. Most of the bulletins which are issued from time to time by the Government are received at the Library and are publicly displayed. If any special reports or bulletins which the Library does not have are desired, the Librarian would be very glad to attempt to secure them for any person who may request her to do so, and any suggestion which it is believed will make the Library more useful will be gratefully received by the Trustees.

ARTHUR T. JOHNSON,  
HORACE S. SEARS,  
PALFREY PERKINS,

*Trustees of the Public Library.*

## REPORT OF LIBRARIAN OF PUBLIC LIBRARY.

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The Librarian submits the following report for the year ending December 31, 1917:—

Number of books purchased . . . . .	421
Number of books presented . . . . .	119
Number of magazines bound . . . . .	45
Number of books rebound . . . . .	134
Number of volumes in the Library . . . . .	23,520

### Circulation:—

Number of days Library was open . . . . .	304
Largest number of books issued . . . . .	137
Smallest number of books issued . . . . .	6
Books issued, non-fiction . . . . .	4,661
Books issued, fiction . . . . .	8,886
Books issued, juvenile . . . . .	4,902
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	18,449

### Kendal Green Branch:—

Number of days Branch was open . . . . .	52
Books issued, non-fiction . . . . .	375
Books issued, fiction . . . . .	926
Books issued, juvenile . . . . .	317
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	1,618

Library hours, 2-5 and 6.30-9 P.M., except Sundays, legal holidays, and Tuesday and Thursday evenings.

Books and pamphlets have been received during the year from

American Trust Co., American Unitarian Association, Boston Children's Friend Society, Boston Public Library, Brookline Public Library, Carnegie

Hero Fund Commission, Christian Science Fund, Committee on Public Information, Concord Free Public Library, E. P. Dutton & Co., Houghton Mifflin Co., Lake Mohonk Conference, Lancaster Town Library, Lincoln Town Library, Massachusetts Agricultural College, Massachusetts Free Public Library Commission, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Newton Free Public Library, New York Public Library, Secretary of the Commonwealth, Smithsonian Institution, Trustees of Public Reservations, Trustees of Soldiers' Home in Chelsea, United States Government (various departments), Waltham Public Library, Mrs. James B. Case, Miss Marian Case, Mrs. B. C. Davis, W. M. Dixon, Merrill French, Carrie E. Holman, Mrs. D. S. Lamson, Herbert Merriam, Gilbert Parker, Slason Thompson, Grant Walker.

The following periodicals are received at the Library:—

#### QUARTERLY.

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| *Baconiana. | Journal of American History. |
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#### MONTHLY.

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| American Country Life.      | Illustrated World.             |
| *American Forestry.         | John Martin's Book.            |
| American Magazine.          | Keith's Magazine.              |
| American Review of Reviews. | Ladies' Home Journal.          |
| Atlantic Monthly.           | Library Journal.               |
| Bookman.                    | Munsey.                        |
| Canadian Horticulturist.    | *National Geographic.          |
| Century.                    | National Magazine.             |
| *Christian Science Journal. | National Service.              |
| *Church Militant.           | North American Review.         |
| Cosmopolitan.               | *Our Dumb Animals.             |
| Cumulative Book Index.      | *Our Four-footed Friends.      |
| Current History.            | Outing.                        |
| Current Opinion.            | Photo Era.                     |
| Education.                  | Popular Mechanics.             |
| Engineering Magazine.       | Poultry Journal.               |
| Everybody's Magazine.       | Reader's Guide to Periodicals. |
| Forum.                      | St. Nicholas.                  |
| Garden Magazine.            | Scientific Monthly.            |
| Good Housekeeping.          | Scribner's Magazine.           |
| Harper's Bazar.             | Sea Power.                     |
| Harper's Magazine.          | World's Work.                  |
| House Beautiful.            |                                |

## WEEKLY.

Automobile.	Nation.
*Christian Register.	New England Homestead.
*Christian Science Sentinel.	Outlook.
*Dun's Review.	*Science.
*Electrical World.	Scientific American.
Illustrated London News.	Scientific American Supplement.
Independent.	Springfield Republican.
Journal of Education.	Survey.
Literary Digest.	Waltham Free Press Tribune.
Living Age.	Youth's Companion.

## DAILY.

Boston Evening Transcript. \*Christian Science Monitor.

The starred periodicals are gifts, and in some cases are received at irregular intervals.

The following collections of pictures from the Massachusetts Library Art Club have been on exhibition during the year, each collection remaining about two and one-half weeks:—

Märchen Brunnen.	Lancaster Pageant.
Lumbering.	Salem Doorways.
Warsaw.	War, V.
Buckingham Palace, VIII.	Petrograd.
Leslie Brooke.	Moscow.
War, III.	Kindergarten.
Buckingham Palace, VII.	War, VI.
Year 1492.	

MAUDE M. PENNOCK,

*Librarian.*

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

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TO THE SELECTMEN:

As in the past few years, pruning the dead wood from street trees, keeping all cuts and scars covered with tar, and cutting the bushes on dangerous corners and where encroaching on the travelled way has constituted most of our work.

Twelve rock maples have been set out, and the Tree Warden stands ready, as in the past, to co-operate with abutters to plant trees of selected varieties adjacent to the highways where the roads are at present too narrow to admit of planting in the right of way.

I wish to call the attention of owners of fine elm trees to the threatened return this year of the elm-leaf beetle. The only effective remedy is to spray thoroughly with arsenate of lead before June 5.

I recommend that \$500 be appropriated for the department for 1918.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD P. RIPLEY,

*Tree Warden.*

WESTON, January 1, 1918.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF FIRE ENGINEERS.

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TO THE SELECTMEN OF WESTON:

*Gentlemen*,—The Board of Fire Engineers herewith submit their annual report for the year ending December 31, 1917:—

The Board organized April 22, 1917, as follows: B. R. Parker, Chief; B. H. Dickson, Jr., First Assistant and Clerk; A. L. Vittum, Second Assistant.

During the past year there were 25 bell alarms and 14 still alarms, 10 alarms for building fires, and 25 for wood, brush, and grass fires, 3 automobile fires, and one false alarm. The following were the fires for the year:—

### FIRE FROM JANUARY 1, 1917, TO DECEMBER 31, 1917.

- Jan. 6. Still alarm, 7 P.M., automobile on South Avenue.
- Jan. 8. Still alarm, 11.45 P.M., automobile on Loring Street.
- Mar. 18. Still alarm, 10.10 P.M., chimney fire, house of F. H. Upham, Ash Street.
- Mar. 21. Still alarm, 2.30 P.M., grass fire, land of Mrs. Blanchard and George Emerson.
- Mar. 22. Box 38, 12.20 A.M., chimney fire, house of Wallace Leadbetter, South Avenue.
- Mar. 31. Box 72, 3.40 P.M., grass land of Mary Bennett, North Avenue.
- Apr. 5. Box 32, 12 M., grass land of J. M. Upham estate, Newton Street.
- Apr. 5. Box 25, 8.45 P.M., woodland of William Whittemore, Warren Avenue.
- Apr. 11. Box 26, 12.50 P.M., grass land, A. H. Fiske, estate near Cherry Brook.
- Apr. 17. Still alarm, 10.20 A.M., grass land of Paine and Welch estate, Chestnut Street.
- Apr. 23. Box 65, 2.15 P.M., henhouse of M. E. Buchold, Silver Hill Road.
- Apr. 26. Box 26, 6.20 P.M., house of F. H. Upham, Ash Street.

- May 4. Box 29, 3.35 P.M., woodland, Bigelow estate.  
 May 15. Box 76, 10.59 A.M., woodland, Anna C. Hastings, North Avenue.  
 May 16. Box 34, 4.30 P.M., barn, Angelica W. Heath, South Avenue.  
 May 19. Box 34, 3 P.M., woodland of Charlotte W. Young, Newton Street.  
 May 21. Box 69, 9.35 A.M., woodland, Conant Road, opposite Poor Farm.  
 May 21. Box 28, 5 P.M., woodland near Loring Street, Loring estate.  
 May 28. Box 38, 5 P.M., chimney fire, Edward Leadbetter estate, South Avenue.  
 June 4. Still alarm, 10.16 A.M., woodland, Bigelow estate.  
 July 4. Box 76, 8.50 P.M., brush fire, T. E. Coburn estate.  
 Aug. 8. Box 69, 3.30 P.M., barn of Alvin L. Dudley, North Avenue.  
 Aug. 9. Still alarm, 8 P.M., hay of Alvin L. Dudley, North Avenue.  
 Aug. 28. Still alarm, 12.15 P.M., woodland, Brown estate, North Avenue.  
 Oct. 8. Box 75, 6.30 P.M., chimney fire, Hastings Organ factory.  
 Oct. 23. Still alarm, 1 A.M., automobile fire, Newton Street.  
 Nov. 8. Box 67, 9.05 A.M., woodland, Silver Hill, near Fitchburg R.R.  
 Nov. 10. Box 65, 2 P.M., brush fire, land of F. H. Brooks, Silver Hill.  
 Nov. 10. Still alarm, 3.45 P.M., brush fire, F. H. Hastings estate, North Avenue.  
 Nov. 12. Still alarm, 1.30 P.M., grass land on Newton Street, near Ash Street.  
 Nov. 13. Still alarm, 2.30 P.M., woodland, Bigelow estate.  
 Nov. 14. Box 25, 12.50 P.M., brush fire, land of B. R. Parker, Conant Road.  
 Nov. 14. Box 28, 10.15 P.M., woodland of A. H. Fiske estate, Cherry Brook.  
 Nov. 15. Box 29, 2.15 P.M., false alarm.  
 Nov. 17. Box 28, 12.45 P.M., woodland of A. H. Fiske estate.  
 Nov. 17. Box 38, 3.15 P.M., woodland of C. H. Jones, Wellesley Street.  
 Nov. 18. Still alarm, 10.30 A.M., brush fire, land of C. H. Jones, Wellesley Street.  
 Dec. 29. Still alarm, 1 P.M., chimney fire, house of Herbert A. Sherman, North Avenue.  
 Dec. 30. Box 75, 9.50 A.M., heater in house of Norman Jacobson, North Avenue.

The organization of the Fire Department on December 31, 1917, was as follows:—

*Chief.*

B. R. PARKER.

*First Assistant and Clerk.*

B. H. DICKSON, Jr.

*Second Assistant.*

A. L. VITTRUM.

## Combination No. 1 and Combination No. 2.

*Captain.*

F. C. MULOCK.

*First Lieutenant and Treasurer.*

J. W. TOZIER.

*Second Lieutenant and Clerk.*

C. A. HEWS.

*Hosemen.*

A. M. Cheney.

F. G. Hews.

J. Sliney.

F. A. Sherburne.

N. B. Sherburne.

H. D. Travis.

J. F. Lamson.

G. W. Emerson.

B. Parker.

L. C. Stevens.

W. C. Bramhall.

G. M. Upham.

W. H. Smith.

## Hose Company No. 2.

*Captain.*

A. E. COBURN.

## Hook and Ladder Company No. 1.

*Captain.*

PHILIP MILLER.

*Clerk.*

R. E. VITTUM.

*Steward.*

H. C. BERRY.

*Laddermen.*

A. Dudley.

F. W. Hill.

L. E. Brown.

R. W. Coburn.

The Department has lost a great many members, as they have left town to go to war, especially this is so of the two companies in Kendal Green. In order to conserve coal we have not kept the furnace going in the Kendal Green Fire Station this winter.

We recommend for the ensuing year the regular appropriation of \$3,000.

Yours respectfully,

B. R. PARKER,

B. H. DICKSON, JR.,

A. L. VITTUM,

*Board of Fire Engineers of Weston.*

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR.

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The Overseers respectfully submit the following report for year ending December 31, 1917:—

The Board organized with Dr. William Bradford Robbins as Chairman and Arthur Woodward as Secretary.

We would ask for an appropriation of \$800 for coming year.

Total expenditures for Outside Relief . . . . .	\$439.54
Total expenditures for Outside Relief for Non-Residents	160.00
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Total . . . . .	\$599.54
Executive Expenses . . . . .	169.97
Tax on Town Farm . . . . .	8.50
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	\$778.01
Appropriation, 1917 . . . . .	\$975.00
Expenditures, 1917 . . . . .	778.01
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Unexpended balance . . . . .	\$196.99
Rent of Town Farm . . . . .	300.00

WILLIAM BRADFORD ROBBINS,  
HENRY A. WHEELER,  
ARTHUR WOODWARD,

*Overseers of the Poor.*

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

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The Board of Health submits the following report for the year 1917:—

### I. MEMBERS AND OFFICERS.

On April 5 the Board met and elected its chairman and secretary, organizing as follows:—

Dr. F. Van Nüys, Chairman, Central Avenue.

Mr. Frank H. Allison, Secretary, Newton Street, Cutter's Corner.

Mr. George Faber, North Avenue, Kendal Green.

The regular meetings are held at 5.30 P.M. on the first Thursday of each month at the Town Hall.

The Board voted to engage the services of the Co-operative Health Organization for the ensuing year for the sum of \$650, and to appoint the members of the Organization to positions as follows:—

Mr. H. E. Berger, Jr., Agent, Bacteriologist, and Chemist.

Mr. E. L. Overholzer, Milk and Sanitary Inspector, Collector of Milk Samples.

Mr. Thomas H. Harris, Plumbing Inspector.

The following Appointments were also made:—

Mr. Alfred L. Cutting, } Agents to issue burial permits.

Mr. George W. Cutting, }

Mr. George E. Trask, Inspector of Slaughtering.

### II. FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The Board of Health voted to ask for an appropriation of \$1,150, as follows:—

Co-operative Health Organization . . . . .	\$650
Salary of Inspector of Slaughtering . . . . .	300
Salaries of members of the Board . . . . .	75
Telephone for Inspector of Slaughtering . . . . .	20
Incidentals . . . . .	55
Emergency Fund . . . . .	100
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	\$1,200

### III. LICENSES AND PERMITS.

The following licenses and permits have been granted:—

(1) Slaughtering-house licenses:—

Mrs. Henry Zoller and Sons . . . . . Conant Road.

(2) Milk licenses:—

Arthur L. Coburn.	G. H. D. Lamson.
Charles H. Jones.	Frank H. Pope.
Joseph R. Roberts.	Philip R. Spaulding.
H. L. Stone.	George W. Cutting & Sons.
Henry L. White.	Cherith M. Foote.
B. S. Blake.	C. H. Stevens.
C. U. Hubbard.	H. C. Richardson.

(3) Permits to collect and feed garbage:—

Amri Barker.

(4) Undertakers' licenses:—

F. H. Upham . . . . .	Ash Street, Weston.
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	Church Street, Weston.
Franklin G. Cooper . . . . .	Newton Street, Weston.
W. A. Twombly . . . . .	Newton, Mass.

The reports of the Agent and Milk Inspector, Plumbing Inspector, and Slaughtering Inspector are submitted herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

F. VAN NÜYS,  
FRANK H. ALLISON,  
GEORGE FABER,  
*Board of Health.*

WESTON, MASS., January 1, 1918.

## REPORT OF THE AGENT AND MILK INSPECTOR.

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TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF WESTON:

Gentlemen,—It is with pleasure that I submit the following report of the work done during the year as your Agent and Milk Inspector:—

### CO-OPERATIVE HEALTH ORGANIZATION.

The Board of Health has retained again during the year 1917 the services of the Co-operating Boards of Health. The benefits derived by the town from this organization have been freely discussed in earlier reports and need no description here.

### DISEASES DANGEROUS TO PUBLIC HEALTH.

During the year forty-five cases of disease were reported to the Board of Health. On only one occasion was there any serious outbreak of disease and that was quickly and effectively checked.

The appended tables show the nature and number of diseases reported. In Table I. the yearly totals for eight years are shown, and Table II. shows the prevalence of disease by months for the year 1917.

### PREVALENCE OF EACH DISEASE.

#### *Diphtheria.*

During the first nine months of the year six cases of diphtheria were reported. In October in rapid succession nine cases came to the attention of the Agent. The majority of the nine cases were

in one particular room of the school. On culturing the children in this room a diphtheria carrier was discovered. This child discharged virulent diphtheria bacilli from his nose and while he himself was not ill he was capable of infecting others with the disease. With his removal the outbreak immediately subsided.

The occurrence of measles, whooping-cough, chicken-pox, and German measles was not in excessive amount during the year. On the whole, Weston experienced a year remarkably free from contagious diseases. This is undoubtedly due to the weekly medical inspection at the schools. In this way suspicious cases come under professional observation and a child is sent home if the result of his examination shows an abnormal condition.

TABLE I.

## CASES OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES BY YEARS.

Diseases.	1910.	1911.	1912.	1913.	1914.	1915.	1916.	1917.
Diphtheria . . . . .	1	1	0	1	0	4	13	15
Scarlet Fever . . . . .	0	3	2	7	8	12	2	0
Tuberculosis:								
Pulmonary and Miliary .	6	5	3	2	3	3	4	2
Other forms . . . . .	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Chicken-pox . . . . .	3	12	0	10	4	25	21	9
Infantile Paralysis . . . . .	3	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Measles . . . . .	9	7	3	8	16	129	8	8
Whooping-cough . . . . .	0	13	2	2	0	3	11	9
Mumps . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
German Measles . . . . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Totals . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	23	41	11	30	32	176	63	45

TABLE II.  
DISEASES BY MONTHS, 1917.

DISEASES.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Chicken-pox . . . . .	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	4	1	-	9
Diphtheria . . . . .	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	-	1	9	-	-	15
Measles . . . . .	-	-	-	-	6	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	8
Mumps . . . . .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Whooping-cough . . .	6	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	9
Tuberculosis:													
Pulmonary and Miliary	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
German Measles . . .	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
 Totals . . . . .	8	3	1	1	8	4	2	-	2	13	1	2	45

### MILK.

The Board has kept a careful supervision over the milk supply of Weston. Dairy inspection supplemented by monthly bacteriological and chemical analyses have assured a cleanly and wholesome supply. The quality of the samples, on the whole, was good.

It seems advisable to state, in order that the public may fully be able to interpret the results of the analyses, that the dealer who supplies a milk having a high fat and total solids content as well as a low bacteria count gives the best value. Some dealers have claimed that a high bacterial count is a mark of excellence for their product. Careful reading of the appended tables will give the reader an excellent idea of the various dealers' products. It is to be borne in mind that State Law requires 3.35 per cent. fat and 12.0 per cent. total solids. The Weston Board of Health fixes the maximum bacterial count at 300,000.

TABLE III.

MEDIAN NUMBER OF BACTERIA PER CUBIC CENTIMETRE FOR EACH DEALER.

*Chemical Analysis Average, 1917.*

<i>Dealer.</i>	<i>Median Number Bacteria per cubic centimetre.</i>	<i>No. of Samples.</i>	<i>% Fat.</i>	<i>% Solids.</i>
Blake, B. S. . . . .	9,000	10	4.8	14.1
Hubbard, C. U. . . . .	3,000	12	4.3	13.4
Jones, C. H. . . . .	11,000	12	4.7	14.4
Lamson, G. H. D. . . . .	23,000	12	4.0	13.0
Pope, F. H. . . . .	12,000	12	3.9	12.8
Richardson, H. C. . . . .	1,000	5	4.6	13.5
Roberts, J. R. . . . .	6,000	11	4.2	13.0
Spaulding, P. R. . . . .	2,000	11	4.2	13.2
Stevens, C. S. . . . .	3,000	5	4.1	13.1

State Law requires at least 3.35% fat and 12% solids.

TABLE IV.

NUMBER OF MONTHS DURING WHICH BACTERIA COUNTS FELL WITHIN CERTAIN LIMITS.

<i>Dealer.</i>	<i>No. of Months.</i>	<i>Exc. Under 10,000.</i>	<i>V. Good. 10,000- 20,000.</i>	<i>Good. 20,000- 50,000.</i>	<i>Fair. 50,000- 100,000.</i>	<i>Poor. 100,000- 300,000.</i>	<i>Bad. Over 300,000.</i>
Blake, B. S. . . . .	10	5	1	3	-	-	-
Hubbard, C. U. . . . .	12	8	3	1	-	-	-
Jones, C. H. . . . .	12	5	4	-	1	1	1
Lamson, G. H. D. . . . .	12	4	2	4	-	1	1
Pope, F. H. . . . .	12	5	3	1	1	1	1
Richardson, H. C. . . . .	5	5	-	-	-	-	-
Roberts, J. R. . . . .	11	6	-	2	2	-	1
Spaulding, P. R. . . . .	11	11	-	-	-	-	-
Stevens, C. S. . . . .	5	4	1	-	-	-	-

Maximum bacteria count allowed by Board of Health is 300,000 per cubic centimetre.

## COMPLAINTS.

The Board of Health received a few complaints none of which were of a really serious nature but which were immediately investigated and abated.

## LABORATORY.

The work of the Laboratory was as follows:—

Culture examinations for diphtheria . . . . .	168
Sputa        "        " tuberculosis . . . . .	16
Blood        "        " malaria . . . . .	2
Widal        "        " typhoid . . . . .	5
Miscellaneous . . . . .	2
	—
	193

The diagnosing of diphtheria cultures has been greatly hastened in several instances through examination of swabs submitted by physicians. The work of the laboratory has shown a gradual increase each year since the Co-operating Boards of Health have been employed.

In 1913 . . . . .	15 examinations.
" 1914 . . . . .	69       "
" 1915 . . . . .	62       "
" 1916 . . . . .	103      "
" 1917 . . . . .	193      "

Respectfully submitted,

H. E. BERGER, JR.,

*Agent and Milk Inspector.*

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING.

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BOARD OF HEALTH, TOWN OF WESTON:

Number of carcases inspected for the year ending December 31, 1917, three hundred and twenty. One calf condemned.

GEO. E. TRASK,  
*Inspector of Slaughtering.*

KENDAL GREEN, January 1, 1918.

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

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TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:

*Dear Sirs,*—I beg to report as follows, relative to inspection of animals in the town of Weston from January 1, 1917, to December 31, 1917:—

- 83 herds inspected.
- 720 cows inspected.
- 174 young cattle inspected.
- 30 bulls inspected.

The above cattle were kept in 85 stables.

76 stables were recorded clean.

25 herds swine, comprising 248 animals, inspected.

16 sheep and 2 goats inspected.

Cattle condemned,—1 cow for tuberculosis.

Horses condemned,—3 for glanders.

Yours respectfully,

EDWARD JENNINGS,  
*Inspector of Animals.*

JANUARY 1, 1918.

## REPORT OF PLUMBING INSPECTOR.

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TO THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE TOWN OF WESTON:

*Gentlemen,—I herewith submit to you for your approval my report as Inspector of Plumbing for the year 1917.*

As is generally known, the building business and consequently the plumbing business has been greatly affected since the declaration of war. The high cost of material for building construction has rendered this work almost prohibitive and consequently this line of business has shown but little activity for the greater portion of the year.

During the year there were twenty-two permits issued for plumbing installation by this department. Nine of these were for plumbing construction in new buildings, and six were for plumbing construction in old buildings. Seven were for additions and alterations to existing systems of plumbing. Fifty-five inspections were made during the year, of plumbing work in its various stages of construction. In one instance the work was not passed, on account of defective construction. These defects were afterwards remedied and the work was approved.

Appended will be found a table which will explain the work as performed by months.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS F. HARRIS,

*Plumbing Inspector.*

## PLUMBING INSPECTOR'S REPORT—1917.

	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Totals.
Permits issued . . . . .	1	1	2	2	3	6	1	0	0	3	2	1	22
New Buildings . . . . .	—	1	—	1	2	3	1	—	—	1	—	—	9
Old Buildings . . . . .	1	—	—	—	—	1	—	—	—	1	2	1	6
Additions and Alterations	—	—	2	1	1	2	—	—	—	1	—	—	7
Inspection Visits . . . . .	4	6	2	4	7	14	6	3	0	3	4	2	55
Work not approved on first inspection . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1
Work approved on second inspection . . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	—	1

## REPORT OF SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

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**TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN:**

The following is the report of the Weights and Measures Department for the year 1917:—

*Scales:*

	<i>Adjusting.</i>	<i>Sealed.</i>	<i>Non-sealed.</i>	<i>Condemned.</i>
Platform over 5,000 lbs. . . . .	3	3		
Platform under 5,000 lbs. . . . .	1	5		
Counter . . . . .	—	9		
Beam . . . . .	—	1		
Spring Balances . . . . .	—	6		
Computing . . . . .	—	3		
<i>Weights</i> . . . . .	20	61		

*Capacity Measures:*

Liquid Measures (other than milk jars) . . . . .	—	22	
Automatic Pumps . . . . .	—	4	

*Lineal Measures:*

Yard-sticks . . . . .	—	1	
	—	—	—
	24	115	0
			0

During the year, besides the above table of work performed, the usual number of inspections, re-weighings, and checking up of articles were looked after.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. FREEMAN,  
*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

WESTON, MASS., December 31, 1917.

## REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS.

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The Cemetery Commissioners respectfully submit their report for the year ending December 31, 1917:—

At the annual town meeting, held on March 26, 1917, Mr. B. R. Parker was re-elected a Commissioner for three years.

Mr. Edward B. Field was elected a Commissioner to fill out the unexpired term of W. T. Burrage, deceased.

At this time it seems appropriate that the Commissioners should express their deep sense of loss at the death of Mr. Burrage, who as a Cemetery Commissioner, and a resident of the town of Weston, had devoted many years, and much painstaking care, to further the best interests of the community. Much of the attractiveness of our cemeteries is due to his wise judgment and forethought.

At a meeting of the Board, Mr. F. G. Cooper was reappointed Superintendent of the Cemeteries for the ensuing year.

The usual routine of work has been carried on and the cemeteries maintained up to their high standard of attractiveness.

The number of internments during the year was 19.

Residents . . . . .	11
Non-residents . . . . .	8

During the year the Commissioners have received \$350 for the Perpetual Care Fund, which amount has been turned over to the Treasurer.

For itemized account of expenses and receipts see Auditor's Report.

The Commissioners recommend the usual appropriation of \$2,500 to cover the expenses of next year.

BENJ. R. PARKER,  
EDWARD B. FIELD,  
GEORGE N. ABERCROMBIE,  
*Cemetery Commissioners.*

WESTON, MASS., February 2, 1918.

## DEDICATION OF TOWN-HOUSE.

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### Announcement.

[SEAL]

The Selectmen of Weston, in behalf of the inhabitants of the town, cordially invite you to be present at the dedication of the new Town-house, on Tuesday evening, November the twenty-seventh, at eight o'clock.

The Honorable Calvin Coolidge, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, and the Honorable Robert M. Washburn will speak.

ALFRED L. CUTTING  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG  
HERBERT E. TYLER

*Selectmen of Weston*

NOVEMBER 20, 1917

[SEAL]

## DEDICATION OF TOWN-HOUSE

WESTON, MASSACHUSETTS, TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1917

### PROGRAM

ALFRED L. CUTTING, Esq., *Chairman*

PRAYER by Rev. JOSEPH E. PERRY, Ph.D.

SINGING: America

ADDRESS by BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG, Esq.

ADDRESS by his Honor CALVIN COOLIDGE, Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth

SINGING: The Battle Hymn of the Republic

ADDRESS by the Honorable ROBERT M. WASHBURN

SINGING: The Star-Spangled Banner

TOWN-HOUSE OF WESTON  
1916-1917

*Board of Selectmen*

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BIGELOW & WADSWORTH

*Landscape Architect*

ARTHUR A. SHURTLEFF

*Contractors*

LEIGHTON-MITCHELL Co.

*Prayer by Reverend JOSEPH E. PERRY, Ph.D.*

*Addresses by:*

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Honorable ROBERT M. WASHBURN.

Rev. Mr. PERRY. Let us pray.

O Lord God, our Father, Thine is the greatness and the glory and the power and the victory. Wealth and honor are from Thee. In Thee are all our ways; therefore we praise Thee to-

night, O God, the God of our fathers and the God of our own day, because of Thy goodness, and love, and kindness, and the tender mercy which Thou hast shown unto us as a nation during all the years that are gone. We praise Thee for the confidence we have in this hour that Thou wilt be with us in the days to come, as Thou wast with our fathers in the days that are gone. Our prayer to-night, O God, is that we may be with Thee as they were, into the heritage of whose life, and care, and labors we have entered. We pray Thee to-night, O God, for our nation. As we gather here, citizens of this town, our heart goes out for the consciousness and the power of Thy presence in every town and in every State of this great land of ours. We praise Thee, O God, for what Thou hast done for us and, through us, for the world; and we pray Thee to-night that Thy blessing may abide with us and Thy power may be made manifest in love throughout the world. Bless our President and all those who are associated with him, and the leaders of our land and the people of our land. Give us patience, and courage, and confidence. Help us to share Thy blessing with all the nations of the world, we pray Thee to-night. Bless our own State. Be Thou, O God, with our Governor and all those associated with him closely, and all the leaders of this State; and we pray Thee that Thou wilt be their guide and their strength. Be Thou unto them wisdom and power. We thank Thee, O God, for the men whom Thou hast given to this land, whom Thou hast given to this State. Let Thy blessing abide upon them. Be Thou, we pray Thee in especial manner, with us in this town. We thank Thee for the town. We praise Thy name for what the men have done who have been here in the past, as they have had confidence and hope and trust in Thee. We thank Thee, O God, for the foundations on which this town has been builded. We thank Thee for the principles which have been the strength of our life. Let Thy blessing now, we pray, be with us, and bless us as we enter into this new hall; and we pray Thee that, as this hall expresses beauty and strength, grace and power, it may symbolize the beauty and the strength, the grace and the power, of the manhood and womanhood of this town. Our

Father, we pray that Thou wilt bless with us to-night the men who have gone out from this town, some of them across the sea and others preparing for whatever service they may be called. Bless them, O God, to-night as we gather here; and we pray Thee that in all the coming days Thou wilt be unto them a sun and shield, and strength and joy and power. Be with us who remain, and help us, we pray Thee, in Thy strength and power to make this town well worth living for and well worth dying for, and so may there always go out from this town into our civic, social, religious, and home life, influences that are true, and pure, and good, and strong, and nothing that shall dishonor, or defile, or make us ashamed. And so we ask Thy Blessing upon the men of our town, the Selectmen of our town, and all those who are leading us in our civic affairs; and may God greatly be glorified to-night, and in all the coming days, in the manhood and womanhood of our town. We ask this all in the name of Him who loved the world and gave Himself for it. *Amen.*

*Singing: "AMERICA."*

Mr. CUTTING. In behalf of the Selectmen of the town of Weston, I extend to you all a hearty greeting—to our own townspeople and to those who have come from the neighboring towns.

As I came to the hall to-night and came into our square and saw the beautiful First Parish Church and the old Town Hall with its windows darkened, it seemed to me that we had entered upon a new era in our town life. Our town life started in the old church; our town life was continued in the old Town Hall which we have just vacated, and will continue, I hope, in larger measure with this beautiful Town Hall as our new centre.

From the incorporation of the Town in 1712-13 until 1840 the Town-meetings of Weston were held in the old First Parish Meeting-house. In the latter year the meeting-house was torn down.

The last Town-meeting was held in the church on May 4, 1840. At this meeting a committee appointed at a previous Town-

meeting reported that they had conferred with Rev. Dr. Field's Parish upon the matter of building a new meeting-house in such a manner as should furnish a convenient place to hold Town-meetings and for other public purposes. This committee, consisting of Alpheus Bigelow, Jr., Isaac Jones, Ezra Warren, and Amos Warren, reported as follows:—

"Your committee was in conference with said Church Committee, who propose a building 60 feet in length and 46 feet in breadth; with a basement story, or Hall under it of the same dimensions, with one convenient room partitioned off for the use of the Selectmen, and another for the Assessors of the town, which they offer to do for \$1,300 or whatever sum the Contractors say will be the actual cost. That when completed to the acceptance of the Town, they will convey the same to the Town of Weston, will covenant to keep the same externally in good repair and will also covenant to pay over and refund to the said Town the original cost of the same whenever the said house shall be permitted to fall into decay or cease to be occupied as a Meeting-house for the worship of Almighty God. The committee of the town are of the opinion that a convenient spot of land and a building for the Municipal and other purposes sufficiently capacious, durable and comely, would cost the town \$2,500; they are therefore, on the principle of economy, of the opinion that an agreement be made with the Parish for the accommodation of the Town, or with some individual whereby the Town may be permanently accommodated, and a committee of five was appointed with ample powers to effect the same."

The Town voted to accept this proposition, the expenses to be determined by the contractors together with Oliver Hastings of Cambridge and Samuel Sanger of Brighton, and the Treasurer was authorized to borrow the necessary money and issue notes for the same.

This vote of the Town was evidently never carried out, as the meetings of the Town from 1840 to 1847 were held in a hall, in the house in the centre of the town now occupied by the Misses Jones. In 1843 an agreement was made by a committee ap-

pointed to contract for a place to hold Town-meetings, and they reported that a lease had been made with Marshall and John Jones for five years, at an annual rental of \$30, for the hall in the dwelling-house near Mr. Field's meeting-house, for the purpose mentioned and other town business. In May, 1847, the Town voted to build a Town-house, and Benjamin Peirce, Nathan Hagar, and Marshall Jones were appointed a committee for said purpose. On June 7, 1847, this committee reported:—

"That the plan of such a house, such as we think would be satisfactory when completed, should be 60 feet long, including the colonnade, 40 feet wide, and two stories high. The cost of such a house finished like those in neighboring towns would probably be \$3,000. The Town Committee would recommend that the Town-house be located on the northerly side of the Meeting-house Common, which is now occupied by a pound and for horse-sheds and a highway, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made with the Parish and the owners of the sheds."

The report was accepted by the Town by a yea and nay vote, 76 voting in the affirmative and 46 in the negative.

A resolution was also carried authorizing the committee to hire the money for all expenses pertaining to the building of said house.

The committee reported December 13, 1847, that the expense incurred in erecting and furnishing the Town-house building amounted to \$4,078.62, which amount was then due.

At this meeting it voted that any inhabitant or inhabitants of Weston shall have a right to the use of the hall for singing or lectures or discussions on any subjects which are intended to diffuse useful knowledge in the community, provided they are free to all and that they furnish fire and light. This building was enlarged in 1866, and the following report of the Building Committee is found in the report of the Town for the year ending March 31, 1867:—

## REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE.

*The Town of Weston in account with EDWIN HOBBS, ISAAC COBURN and ALONZO S. FISKE, Committee for the Enlargement of the Town House, and erection of Tablets in memory of Fallen Soldiers.*

Cash paid J. H. Kibbey the amount of contract . . . . .	\$2,940.00
"    " for alteration in stairway and entrance, &c. . . . .	188.00
"    " for stone work in preparing foundation and basement .	162.04
"    " Thomas W. Silloway . . . . .	120.00
"    " Charles E. Hall, for marble tablet . . . . .	525.00
"    " S. S. Woodcock, for plan of the same . . . . .	30.00
"    " C. H. Topliff, for frame for tablet, and for services and expenses . . . . .	110.00
"    " ladder, postage and revenue stamps, expressage, &c.,	4.96
"    " Committee, for their services and expenses . . . . .	40.00
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	\$4,120.00

Credit by order on the Treasurer . . . . . \$4,120.00

Respectfully submitted,

EDWIN HOBBS,  
ISAAC COBURN,  
ALONZO S. FISKE,  
} Building Committee.

This is the Town Hall which has served the town up to the present time and which we are now vacating. To-night we meet in this hall to dedicate this new and beautiful building. As in the early days the old Town Church was the centre of the activities of the town, so may this Town-house be dedicated to all that is best in the community life of our day. On the floor of this hall may true democracy ever continue to live and flourish. Here every citizen shall have the opportunity of expressing his opinions and convictions and defending them in the presence of his fellow-townsmen. May the spirit of the old New England Town-meetings, which has meant so much to our institutions, be perpetuated in this place.

I have purposely refrained from making any special comment upon this present beautiful building which we dedicate to-night. I feel, however, that the town should be very grateful for the

painstaking efforts and the energy and time expended by the committee on this building, and that we should feel very grateful to them for the building which we dedicate to-night. But you are to have the opportunity of listening to a member of that committee, one whom we in Weston all delight to honor, our fellow-townsman and representative, Mr. Young.

### **Representative Benjamin Loring Young.**

Mr. Chairman, Distinguished Guests, Fellow-Citizens of Weston: We have entered to-night our new dwelling-place. We have abandoned our home of threescore years and ten. No person, no family, can leave the old house and break with the memories of the past without a touch of sadness—a moment of solemn thought. But when the change is all for the best the day is proclaimed one of celebration and thanksgiving.

To-night that band of friends and neighbors known to the law as "The Inhabitants of the Town of Weston" has taken to itself a new habitation—a Town-house for all the people of the town, a house that shall be a joy and a comfort to us and to the generations that shall follow.

Our honored Chairman has told of the Town-meetings of the past. He has told how the sturdy citizens of Weston had one meeting-house and one alone, where they gathered together to transact the affairs of government and to worship Almighty God. Not until the middle of the last century did our ancestors wisely separate church from state, parish from town, and provide for the independent transaction of public affairs.

The Town-house erected in 1847 has served us well for seventy years. What, then, were the events leading up to the construction of the magnificent building in which we find ourselves to-night?

In the warrant for the annual Town-meeting, held in March of 1911, there appeared these articles:—

To determine what action the Town will take relative to the future development of the Town Square and relative to building a fire station near the centre of the Town.

Under these articles the Town created a committee, consisting of Charles F. Richardson, B. H. Dickson, Jr., Alexander S. Jenney, Benjamin S. Blake, and B. L. Young, "to consider the improvement and development of the centre of the town and the securing of proper sites for Town buildings." There was no desire to disturb the rural simplicity of the town, but many persons felt that we should anticipate future growth and so arrange the centre of Weston that its beauty could never be marred by squalor or congestion. Towns are bound to expand and develop, municipal buildings must be built, open spaces, commons, or parks provided. The people of Weston decided to make plans in advance, believing that by so doing they could avoid incongruous growth and assure a sound and consistent evolution. The committee thus appointed, in order that its judgment might not be warped by the views of its individual members, consulted one of the leaders in landscape architecture, Arthur A. Shurtleff, whose scientific training and artistic skill had been proved by many public achievements.

Advice and co-operation were also sought and obtained from the people of the town, at public meetings held in the Town Hall in January and February of 1912. The recommendations of the committee, submitted to the annual meeting of that year, and embodying the general development which has since then taken place, were approved by the Town as substantially correct. But it was wisely felt that more complete study of details and more accurate financial estimates should be obtained. Final action was therefore deferred, and a new committee, consisting of Henry L. Brown, Horace S. Sears, Robert Winsor, Jr., Warren P. Adams, Jr., and Charles H. Fiske, Jr., was appointed for this task. The report of that committee, having the approval of the Selectmen, was submitted to the Town in 1913. By a vote of 103 yeas to 12 nays the Town adopted the Town Improvement Plan, as it has since been called, and provided for the taking

by eminent domain of sites for Town Hall and fire station, a new highway, and a park or common,—lands aggregating eleven acres in extent, with titles in eight different owners. The many legal steps involved were taken by the Selectmen and the Park Commissioners, and their action was ratified and approved by the Town at the annual meeting in 1914. At that meeting the Town voted, by 107 yeas to 18 nays, to erect forthwith the fire station. This was the first tangible result, and a happy augury of our final success. The station has already proved its great usefulness, and will long stand as a credit to the Town and to the architect, Alexander S. Jenney.

Another year passed. In 1915 the Town again appointed a town improvement committee, consisting of Horace S. Sears, David W. Lane, Frank W. Knowlton, B. L. Young, and Everett A. Brotchie, whose place was shortly taken by B. H. Dickson, Jr. This committee by virtue of successive reappointments remained in office until last month.

During the summer of 1915 the new highway was built, and the meadow land drained and transformed thereby from a swamp to a fine, dry field. Plans and specifications for a new Town-house were procured by the committee, which had chosen as architects the firm of Bigelow & Wadsworth of Boston. On February 15, 1916, the Town by a vote of 92 yeas to 3 nays voted to build, and intrusted to the committee full authority to manage the work. At the special Town-meeting, held October 18 of this year, the committee reported that its work was finished, and the Town-house completed. The committee was thereupon discharged.

The grounds immediately surrounding the building have been graded and improved, with a result apparent to all. Much work yet remains to be done. The necessary grading of the former location of the store of George W. Cutting & Sons has already been contracted for, and, weather permitting, will be finished this winter. The old Town-house and the horse sheds must eventually be removed and further development be made of the Town Common. These undertakings should, however, be postponed until

times have changed. Important as they might be under normal conditions, they must, like all other public and private improvements, which involve labor, material, and expense, and which are not of direct value in the supreme national task of war, be subordinated to those things which are of such value.

Six years ago Mr. Shurtleff told us that "the execution of the Town Improvement Plan would give Weston a Town Common of remarkable individuality and in many respects the finest open space of its kind in the Commonwealth." That prophecy seemed a vision and a dream, but it has come true. The seed planted in good soil has grown to the ripe fruit.

Six years ago we had no fire station, no Town Common, no adequate Town Hall. To-day we have all these things—not for ourselves alone, but for our children and our children's children so long as this town shall be the home of our people.

I cannot close this account of our doings without a word of gratitude to the man who has so greatly helped to make possible the achievement of our ideal. Did I not believe that it would be distasteful to his natural modesty I would attempt to recount his many services, his munificent gifts to the town. Suffice it to say that except for his bounty, this Town-house, had it been built at all at this time, which is doubtful, would not now be lighted by these beautiful electric fixtures, nor would you ladies and gentlemen be seated in those comfortable chairs. For his kindness of heart, for his public spirit and generosity, for his devoted service to us and our town, we owe to Horace Scudder Sears a debt of love and of gratitude which we shall always remember and which we can never repay.

This Town-house was planned by public direction and authority, and constructed under the supervision of the public officers of the town. And where can be found a more striking example of steady and persistent progress? For six long years the Town, in the midst of other important affairs, never swerved from the line it had mapped out, but each year by patient and thorough work reared higher and higher the foundations on which it was to build the finished structure. Cynics often scoff at the ability

of democracies to steer a straight course from one election day to another. Let them find their answer here, and acknowledge their error.

This dedication would be a proud event were the times filled with peace and with plenty, were our hearts light with gladness and no shadow of trouble or of sorrow visible on the horizon. How much more proud and solemn is our privilege and our responsibility to-day, when the world is filled with toil and strife and our country has drawn the sword lest liberty perish and free government be driven from the earth! For two centuries and more the people of Weston have governed themselves in the purest and strongest form of democratic government, the New England town-meeting, have gathered together at the meeting-house, have appropriated money for the public needs and have chosen their town officers by free and equal ballot. When Napoleon's power was broken at Waterloo, Weston had behind it a century of local democracy. When, three years ago, Germany, intent on imposing its despotism on the world, challenged civilization to mortal combat, Weston could look back on two hundred years of freedom—freedom that had been purchased and preserved by devotion and sacrifice. We remember with pride the Minutemen of Weston, one hundred strong, as they met together at the house of Captain Samuel Lamson on the 19th of April, 1775, and, fortified by prayer to Almighty God, shouldered their muskets and marched to battle. We bow our heads with reverence, in our own Town Library, before the names of those soldiers of the North who gave their lives that the inspired prophecy of Daniel Webster might be realized in fact—"Liberty and Union, Now and Forever, One and Inseparable." We rejoice that men of Weston are again on the battle-line of democracy in the most righteous war yet seen on earth. Their service, their sacrifice, and their honor will be greater even than that which has gone before.

We dedicate this house to-night as a symbol of town, commonwealth, and nation—founded on civil and religious liberty, and the equality of all men before the law. It embodies our whole

theory of government, not the divine right of a ruler, but the aspiration, the will, the achievement of a sovereign people. It represents the dignity, the worth, the freedom of the individual—upon which hang all our constitutions and our laws, and without which government is despotism and the citizen a slave. So long as our streams flow to the sea and the storms of winter beat upon our rugged hills, may this noble building stand—a monument of our abiding faith in mankind, in the Ark of our Covenant, democracy, now and for all time.

Mr. CUTTING. Governor McCall could not be with us to-night on account of the pressing duties of his office in these serious times, and, inasmuch as we could not get the present Governor of the Commonwealth, we thought we would invite a future Governor of the Commonwealth. In many ways we are glad that the Lieutenant-Governor could be with us to-night, because to him it must seem something like coming home. Among our earliest settlers in Watertown—and you know that before we were incorporated as a separate municipality we were a part of Watertown—was John Coolidge, the ancestor of our present Lieutenant-Governor, and if those of you who may be fortunate enough to own a copy of Bond's "Genealogies" will take the trouble to look back, you will see that at least the ancestors of the present Lieutenant-Governor were very closely related to a great many of your ancestors. One of the original members of the old Weston church was Nathaniel Coolidge, the great-grandson, I think, of John Coolidge. And so we welcome to-night the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, we welcome him home to dedicate, and assist us in dedicating, our second Town Hall and I am sure it is an honor to me, and it is an honor to the citizens of Weston, to have the Lieutenant-Governor with us, and it gives me great pleasure to present him to you at this time—his Honor the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth, Calvin Coolidge, of Watertown, Weston, Northampton, and Beacon Hill.

**Lieutenant-Governor Calvin Coolidge.**

The LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR. Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen of Weston: I want to thank you, Mr. Chairman, for your very gracious introduction.

I was interested to come out here and take part in the dedication of this beautiful building in part because my ancestors had lived in this locality in times gone past, but more especially because I am interested in the town governments of Massachusetts. You have heard the town meeting referred to this evening. It seemed to me that the towns in this Commonwealth correspond in part to what we might call the water-tight compartments of the ship of state, and while sometimes our state government has wavered, sometimes it has been suspended and it has been thought that the people could not care for themselves under those conditions, whenever that has arisen the towns of the Commonwealth have come to the rescue and been able to furnish the foundation and the strength on which might not only be carried on but on which might again be erected the failing government of the Commonwealth or the failing government of the nation. So that I know nothing to which we New Englanders owe more, and especially the people of Massachusetts, of our civil liberties than we do to our form of town government.

The history of Weston has been long and interesting, beginning, as your town seal designates, back in 1630, when Watertown was recognized as one of the three or four towns in the Commonwealth; set off by boundaries into the Farmers Precinct in 1698, and becoming incorporated as a town in 1713. There begins a long and honorable history. Of course, the first part of it gathered to a large degree around the church. The first church was started here, I think, in 1695, and I believe that the land on which it was to be erected was purchased of a man who bore my name. Your first clergyman seems to have been settled about 1702; and the long and even tenor of your ways here and your devotion to things which were established is perhaps shown and exemplified

in the fact that during the next one hundred and seventy-four years, coming clear down to 1876, you had but six clergymen presiding over that church. You have an example here now, along the same line, in the long tenure of office that has come to your present Town Clerk, he having been first elected, I believe, in 1864 and having held office from that time to this, probably serving as long, if not longer, than any of the town clerks of Massachusetts, certainly, I believe, the longest of any present living town clerk that we have.

There are many interesting things connected with the history of this town. It bore its part in the Indian Wars. Here was organized an Indian fighting expedition that went to the North, and, though some of the men in that expedition were lost and the expedition was not altogether successful, it showed the spirit, the resolution, the bravery, and the courage which animated the men of those days.

Mr. Young has referred to that day in Massachusetts history that we are all so proud of, the nineteenth of April, 1775. But you had an interesting event here in this town leading up to that great day. General Gage was in command of the British forces at Boston. There had been gathered supplies for carrying on a war out here through Middlesex County and out to the west in Worcester. History tells us that he sent out here Sergeant Howe and other spies, in order that he might find out what the conditions were and whether it would be easy for the British troops to come out here and seize those supplies and break what they thought was the idea on the part of the colonists of starting a rebellion. Sergeant Howe came out here, went to the hotel, where, of course, the landlord received him hospitably, but informed him that probably it wouldn't be a healthy place for him to stay for a very long time and sent him away in the dead of the night. He went back to Boston and made a report to the General in which he said that the people of this vicinity were generally resolved to be free or to die. That was the spirit of those times; and he advised the Britishers that if they wanted to go out to Worcester they would probably need an expedition of ten thou-

sand men and a sufficient train or artillery, and he doubted whether, if such an expedition as that was sent out, any part of it would ever return alive. On account of the report that he brought back it was determined by the British authorities that it was more prudent to go up to Concord than it was to come out here on the way to Worcester. That was the reason that the expedition on that nineteenth of April was started for Concord rather than through here for Worcester.

Of course, there are many other interesting events in the history of this town. You had here many men who have seen military service. You furnished a large number for the Revolutionary War and a large amount of money. You furnished as your quota one hundred and twenty-six soldiers that went into the army from 1861 to 1865. But you were doing here what they were doing all over the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. I doubt if it is generally understood the leading and prominent and decisive part that Massachusetts played in the great Revolutionary War. It is interesting to recall that when General Washington came here he seems to have come with somewhat of a prejudice against New England men. I think there are extant letters which he wrote at that time rather reflecting upon what the New England men were doing and the character of Massachusetts men of those days. But that was not his idea at the end of the war. Then, although he had been brought up far to the South, he had a different idea. Then he said, and said very generously, that he thought well of New England men and had it not been for their support, had it not been for the men, the materials and munitions that they supplied to the Revolutionary forces, the war would not have been a success. His name is interestingly connected with your town of Weston.

You have had here not only an interesting population but an interesting location. It was through this town that the great arteries of travel ran to the west and south and to the north. When Burgoyne surrendered, some of his troops were brought through this town on their way to the seacoast. When Washington came up to visit New England after he had been President,

he came through the town of Weston, and, I do not know whether this is any reflection on the cooking of those days in the towns to the west, but it says in the history of the town of Weston that at one time when Washington stopped at the hotel in Wayland, although the hostess had provided what she thought was a very fine banquet, he left his staff to eat that and went out into the kitchen to help himself to a bowl of bread and milk. I suppose he would not be thought to have done that because he was a candidate for office and wanted to appear as one of the plain people, because that was after he had served in the office of President. But he stopped here in the town of Weston and was entertained here at the hotel. And many other great men passed through here and were entertained here from the time when we were colonies clear up to the time when the railroads were established along in the middle of the last century.

So this town has had a long and interesting history and has done its part in building up Massachusetts and giving her strength to take her part in the history of this great nation. And it is pleasant to see how the work that the fathers have done before us is bearing fruit in these times of ours. It is interesting to see this beautiful building here. It is interesting to know that you have here a town planning committee who are placing this building in a situation where it will contribute to the physical beauty of this historic town. We have not given the time and the attention and the thought that we should have given to things of that kind in Massachusetts. We have been too utilitarian. We have thought that if a building was located in some place where we could have access to it, where it could be used, where it could transact the business of the town, that was enough. We are coming to see in these modern days that that is not enough; that we need not only utilitarian motives, but that we need to give some time, some thought and attention to the artistic in life; that we need to concern ourselves not only with the material but give some thought to the spiritual; that we need to pay some attention to that which is beautiful as well as to that which is merely useful.

These things are appreciated. Weston is doing something along these lines and building her public buildings and laying out her public square or her common (as it was known in the old days), so they will be not only things of use but also things of beauty. Let us dedicate this building to these new purposes. Let us dedicate it to the glorious history of the past. Let us dedicate it to the sacrifice that is required in these present days. Let us dedicate it to the hope of the future. Let us dedicate it to New England ideals—those ideals that have made Massachusetts one of the strong States of the nation; strong enough so that in Revolutionary days we contributed far in excess of what was our portion of men and money to that great struggle; strong enough so that the whole nation has looked to Massachusetts in days of stress for comfort and support.

We are very proud of our democracy. We are very proud of our form of government. We believe that there isn't any other nation on earth that gives to the individual the privileges and the rights that he has here in America. The time has come now when we are going to defend those rights. The time has come when the world is looking to America, as the nation has looked to Massachusetts in the past, to stand up and defend the rights of the individual. Sovereignty, it is our belief, is vested in the individual; and we are going to protect the rights of the individual. It is an auspicious moment to dedicate here in New England one of our town halls, an auspicious moment in which to dedicate it to the supremacy of those ideals for which the whole world is fighting at the present time: that the rights of the individual as they were established here in the past may be maintained by us now and carried to a yet greater development in the future.

*Singing: "THE BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC."*

Mr. CUTTING. I had the pleasure of serving two years in the Massachusetts House with the next speaker. I also had the privilege of serving one year with the Lieutenant-Governor. The last year I served in the House I occupied a seat very close to the

gentleman who is going to talk to you shortly, and I think I am not saying what I ought not to say, at least I hope not, when I say to you that he was the life of that particular section of the House. I have listened many times to his eloquent messages and to his passes of satire in the House; I have listened to him on many occasions; and I think that we are fortunate in Weston to have him with us at the dedication of the new Town Hall. He served many years in the Massachusetts House,—I would not dare to say how many but he probably will tell you. He served in the Senate, and I am sure he is bound to receive higher honors from the hands of the people. I know I have said enough so that you are all waiting anxiously to hear the next speaker, the Honorable Robert M. Washburn.

### Hon. Robert M. Washburn.

Mr. WASHBURN. Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: Unlike the other speakers of the evening, I am in private life; unlike the other speakers of the evening, I have no political aspirations. I knew that a statement of that sort would evoke quite a response from this house and place me in sympathy with it; but I make it in order that if I show this evening any particular affection for this audience, they will feel under no necessity of erecting before them barbed-wire entanglements or trenches, or placing within easy reach the effective hand-grenade. The chairman, to my disappointment, has not tried to fasten me on this town, and therefore it remains for me to do it.

With this little preamble, that I am out of politics, which must satisfy you of my sincerity, I want to say to you that Weston is no stranger to me. I have had friends that have married here. I have been familiar with your town, as I have passed it on my way to Boston, and as I have tarried here for commercial, social, and political reasons, and I have always regarded it as the threshold of the civilization of Boston.

I am so glad to see so many women here to-night,—and yet I hesitate to disturb the unanimity of this meeting. I am glad to

see them here to-night because at some near day in the future they may vote. We are looking now over the eastern boundary of the great State of New York, which is to see women vote next year. I know that I can with safety make this reference, because both sides regard the result as a victory.

I am glad to see here to-night the boys and the young girls, and I am glad to see them both because they are to take an immediate interest in the great issues of the war and an interest, beyond that, in the political life of the community, and that interest cannot begin too young.

Sometimes when I see a man seeking to divert and rest his mind by pursuing the restive and elusive golf ball across the links, I wonder why he does not seek the field of politics, for there he would find interests that would occupy him to such a degree that he would wonder how he ever could have fastened his attention on a golf ball.

I am glad to-night to be in Weston because, with that sincerity that I have already established, I like the country, and because I can align myself close to the heart of the agrarian when I say that I am a poultry-breeder of no mean repute. It is true that my specialty is of a flippant type whose aspirations were not to shine upon the table, or in the yard where we look for eggs, but rather sought the lighter honors of the Show and the more vaporous reward of the blue ribbon. It is the game bantam. But this is but half my story. How can I prove to you better my love for Weston than to tell you that, with a heart close to poultry, I sought for an aged cock bird a home in Weston, and I said to Cutting, my old co-worker in the House: "Take that bird, administer to that bird, for there lies my heart. In the evening of his life, make his days on these sun-kissed hills of Weston peaceful and pleasant. If he must live without me, surely he will be content with Weston and with Cutting"—and he took the bird. But it seems that I thought too much of the bird and too little of Cutting, for in our service together in the House he followed me slavishly and never took a step without turning to me for advice, and the sordid minds on the floor of that House said that his judg-

ment must have been influenced by the thought of that bird. He lost cast in the House; they were suspicious of his integrity, his ideals, and the considerations which led him to come to a conclusion in his judgment of a bill.

We served together on the committee on liquor laws, through the high judgment of the speaker, who put both of us on that committee because, as I want to say to these young girls and young boys, neither one of us knew anything more than the taste of peppermint water. We were put on the committee on liquor laws in the same manner that in a church cellar you will see a crowded meeting listening to a lecture on temperance, when not a single man, woman, or child in that room has ever seen a bottle. These audiences are generally made up of fourteen women, four men, and a boy, one of the men being a mental defective. When the meeting is over it is stated in temperance papers as a great argument for prohibition that resolutions were unanimously passed supporting the principle of prohibition. Cutting and I served together on liquor laws; and I am glad to be here to-night in the home of this Marshall Field of Weston, this man who has such a large part in your political, social, and commercial life. As any one will tell you who has served in the House, what he remembers most of his service there are the friendships that he makes, the anecdotes which come to him of those old times when we sat together.

And I am glad to be here to-night with Representative Young. Maritime history has its "Great Eastern," and I know that political history will have its "Great Weston." I won't say he is honest. Why? Because it is no identifying characteristic to say of a man in the Republican party that he is honest. Under that renaissance, commercial and political, instituted by Theodore Roosevelt—I am neither commending nor attacking him, as I want this audience to stay; some praise him, and others say that Napoleon's greatest triumph was when Roosevelt stood in silence at his tomb. I won't say he is honest, because that is no identifying characteristic in the Republican party to-day, but I will say he has two qualities which we do not always find. He has

first, life. That is what we like to see in our public servants,—virility, and capacity to proceed under their own energies; men that you do not have to apply scientific instruments to, to be sure they are alive; you do not have to throw a log to be sure you are not falling backward. Once, in riding in this neighborhood, I saw a signboard,—Lincoln, so many miles. I drove another three miles and I saw a signboard,—Lincoln, the same number of miles. You are all familiar with it. My friend turned to me with rather rough language, in commenting on that sign, but I said, "Thank God, we are not losing ground." He has life; and on top of that he has independence, another quality just as vital. If you had followed politics the way I have, the way he has, the way my friend Coolidge has, you would so tire of these rut-travelling statesmen, men who, if asked during a rainstorm if it is going to clear up, evade the question by saying, it always has; men who, if you ask how they feel about the initiative and referendum, say that is a very interesting question, have you tried the links at Brae Burn lately? Independence has he shown in legislation at the State House, the ability not to look at problems alone from a Weston point of view but from the point of view of all the people, and you are fortunate in your representative and I hope and expect to see him the next Speaker of the Massachusetts House of Representatives.

As Cornelia, mother of the Gracchi, once said, "These are my jewels." We go another step, and we have here to-night the most unique figure that has ever loomed up in the Republican party,—the Lieutenant-Governor of the Commonwealth. You are familiar with the prosaic type of aspiring politician; how when you come into their presence they are overcome with an effusive desire to share your cross; how they will not let you hold your own hand; how they are always inquiring after your wife, after the baby—little Gwendolyn. Then, when you admit, finally, under solicitous cross-examination, that the baby has the gripe, how poisoned their pleasure for the rest of the week. You are all familiar with that type. But we have in him a man who has been content to let his distinctions seek him. It is a rare

virtue. He has been content to let his claims for political distinction rest on what he has done and not on what he says he has done. There is a wide distinction there. A man of rare modesty of feeling and a man of rare loyalty of character, and who is going to show the people of Massachusetts that, under our democratic institutions, a Vermont baby, educated at Amherst College, and honored by his home town, can successfully aspire to sit under the white flag in the executive chamber on Beacon Hill,—Calvin Coolidge, of Northampton.

Now that I have gotten away from the platform, I want to take another hurdle. You have a Town Hall, and what does it stand for? It stands not alone for those principles that have been enunciated by the Lieutenant-Governor, the rights and privileges of democracy, the rights of the humblest farmer on these hills to come onto the floor of this hall and say what kind of legislation he wants and what kind of officers he wants, his power to make the government his government and not theirs. You have here a symbolic evidence in a beautiful Town Hall of what we expect from the people, and this is respect for government. No government can hope to survive without some such symbol as this ever before the people to show them what government is. You could not hope with near the success to make this town what it ought to be from that old Town Hall, but you depend here more upon the material evidences of the architectural grace of this hall to enforce upon the mind of the child that passes it what Weston stands for and what her ideals mean.

We have in this country too little respect for government. We have in this country, too broadcast, evils that come concurrent with the use of ridicule, which by voice and press fills this country from the East to the West. We have few national heroes. Why? How long do you suppose the editor of *Life*, if in the old days he had printed his paper in Berlin with the same caricatures of the Kaiser as he had of William H. Taft,—how long do you suppose he would have been open to an engagement to play golf in the afternoon? No. His life would be pretty well constrained. But here in this country we carry independ-

ence so far that a man is not only the equal but the superior of his neighbor, and we have paid a high price for it. Why, to-day you might draw up a bill calling for the best type of medical supervision over the young, a bill aimed to raise the plane of health in the young, but it would be overwhelmingly beaten in the House once you put into that bill the provision that the acceptance of such supervision would not be optional with the parent of the child. Why? Because in a country where freedom is unlimited, the people will avoid even a good thing if they have to take it.

In this country we had Hobson. He did a pretty brave act, an act which would have tried the most courageous of us here to-night; but who hears of him now? Why? Because the papers said that he once attempted to kiss a young woman, and that was the end of Hobson. If you ask any little girl as she struggles up to school, in the morning, who Hobson was, that is all she will remember of Hobson.

And then let us go another step. There was George Dewey, great in his day; but ask that same little girl to-day who George Dewey was and she will tell you that George Dewey was a man that gave away a house that was given to him by the American people, and that is all she knows of Dewey.

If we cannot get it in any other way in this country, we ought to have a law on the statute books enforcing respect on the part of the people for their representatives if they cannot be made to entertain the sensation in any other way. We elect a mayor of our city, or we elect selectmen of our town, and they do not appreciate the discrimination of the people in their desire to be democratic; in their desire to be in easy touch with their friends, they tremendously sacrifice the dignity which belongs to the office. But the voter whom he seeks knows whether he is true to life, and the voter is quick to know whether a candidate respects himself, and no man can hope to succeed in the judgment of the people unless he does respect himself. I should like to see the mayors of our cities with more formality, with better dress, and with even more motor-cars, because that is what the people really like at heart and that is what they most respect. Plenty

of form in government is vital, to my way of thinking. We have one splendid custom on Beacon Hill. Every time a new Governor is inaugurated, the moment his oath is administered in the House of Representatives that fact is wig-wagged out to the artillery on the Common and the salute then sounds, and there is not a man, no matter how lethargic his temperament, who does not thrill with that evidence that Massachusetts again has elected a Governor of the Commonwealth. That is what we like and that is what this Town Hall symbolizes, as an evidence of what Weston has been, is, and is to be, to the old and the young of this old Massachusetts hamlet.

We have a war, and we feel it individually. We do not feel it yet as keenly as we shall, because up to this time this to us has largely been a newspaper war. The old days of peace, when we regarded such a catastrophe as the "Titanic" as awful, have passed. We pick up our papers and we read of an express train going through a bridge at Ashtabula and every one on that train killed, and many burned to death, and we read it as a novel. We read it at breakfast. It does not touch us, because the scene is afar, and because those that are lost are not our own. But the time is coming, if this war is to be kept up, when we are going to appreciate the price we are paying, and we are going to look back and wonder if the country has been what it ought to have been; we are going to look back and wonder why we did not have compulsory service; why we did not have some such bill as this, that every boy for a whole year of his life between eighteen and twenty-two shall be at the disposition of the Government for one year.

If we were never to have a war, this law would be invaluable. Why? It would be invaluable because, in the first place, it would make a democrat of that boy; it would make a democrat of that boy as can be made of him in no other way, except in politics. Politics is a great leveller, a great leveller of the young man who is apt to congratulate himself that he is one of the old New England families and that his father can buy out his neighbor. When he goes into politics he meets that great levelling power, the ballot,

that levelling power which puts all on the same plane, and that boy comes out a democrat. And that is what compulsory service does to that same boy. It puts the boy of family, the boy of property, into the same tent with the boy that has none; it makes his income that boy's income; and it does this for the nation: it draws those young men together in a manner that they never before knew.

In the second place, as a peace measure, assuming no war to be in sight, see what it does for the boys, physically. I have seen men at Harvard, in the R. O. T. C., that were taken out of Morris chairs where they had spent three or four years, whose highest types of physical effort was to maintain a draft on a Pall Mall cigarette,—I have seen them taken out of that chair and put into the R. O. T. C., and it has revolutionized them in a month. You would hardly know them. They now walk straight of carriage, and full of energy. And that is what compulsory service, in the second place, would do for the boys, assuming that we were never to have war.

And, in the third place, it means discipline. Do you know what discipline is? A great many of you do not. A year ago a friend went to a training-farm to spend a few weeks, and, do you know, when he struck that farm, that was the first time for twenty years that he had known the meaning of the word "discipline." Many of you men think that you are leading a life of discipline, but you are not. You can get up largely when you want to, so much work to be done at the office, but it can be done about when you want to do it, and you go to bed about when you want to. But conceive of the sensation that comes to a man on a winter morning, as it came to this friend of mine, of having some one come into his room at 5.30 and light the light and say it is time to get up, and he got up; or of being told, it is nine o'clock, time for bed, and he went to bed. This is what such a bill would do for this country in the way of discipline.

Now, in this war to-day, is there the slightest doubt in the mind of any one here to-night that compulsory service for one year would be a splendid thing for this country? And inci-

dentially, see what an asset it would have been in the men that you could have called upon who would have had that year, all over this country, as hardy and wise in the military sense. But it is a great struggle. We all have friends in it; some of us have boys. There are some men sitting here to-night and some women sitting here to-night that have an only son in the draft army, or they have a boy in France in the artillery, and they know what it means, what this fight means, and naturally the thought is, Can we have an early peace? But the strongest argument that I can think of against having an early peace or an unrighteous peace is that the men that have gone before have some rights. When you consider that the highest type of the men of Great Britain, in the early weeks of this war, poured over to France, and were laid down by the machine-gun, they have some rights, and their families have some rights, and unless this war is settled on the terms that they died for, they have died in vain. And there isn't a man here to-night, no matter how great may be his hostage at the front, with whom that argument has not great weight.

And what a different meaning, to-night, the flag has, what a different meaning to the little child, to-day. Every day looks like a holiday—the flag is everywhere. I remember, only this spring, standing on Beacon Street, and when the colors went by, the boy who stood at my side was the only boy in that whole concourse near me who knew enough to salute the flag. That was only May, and see what progress we have made, to-day. There isn't a man, to-day, in the crowd who sees the flag go by, who does not take his hat off and salute it, because he is beginning to know what it stands for, and he is beginning to appreciate the price that was paid for it, in earlier days, in '76, in '61, in '98, and again perhaps in 1917.

Did you ever read Edward Everett Hale's "A Man Without a Country," one of the most powerful books that was ever written? You remember it in the rough, at least,—how this young naval cadet was being tried, and he expressed himself, with an oath, in reference to the United States of America, and the presid-

ing judge at that trial decreed that he should never see or hear of the United States of America again, and they kept him on ship-board for years. They took his map and cut out of it the United States that he used to know. He went ashore, once, at Naples, and asked the young woman who danced with him, if she had any news from home. "Why," said she, "Mr. Nolan, I thought you were the man that never wanted to see your home." And they over-took a slaver, one day, and Nolan was deputed, as knowing the language, to go and tell them they were going home. The captain said: "Tell them that we are taking them home to their wives, and their little pickaninnies," and he repeated that message with a voice almost breaking with emotion. And then read the page in Hale's book of what Nolan says to the boy who rows him back to the ship. He says: "Boy, never forget your country, tie to her as you would to your mother; hold to your flag, because the moment the bond between that flag and you is broken, the very essence of your life is in jeopardy." And before he dies they relaxed, somewhat, the sentence and brought him somewhat down to date. They told him that the old States did not stop with thirteen. They showed him that the United States of America did not stop with the Mississippi. They gradually told him of the events in the interregnum between his sentence and his death. When he died he told them to look in his Bible, and there was written: "Bury me at home in old Orleans, and put upon the grave, 'Here lies the body of Philip Nolan; no one loved his country more, or deserved it less.'" That little story shows us to-day what we too little have appreciated in the past, and that is the power of country.

I went to the camp at Boxford and I saw the boys at sunset, as the flag was lowered and as "The Star-Spangled Banner" was played, stand at attention, and there was not a man or woman in those spectators that watched them whose eyes did not moisten. That is the situation, to-day. This war, no matter what it costs, will not be in vain.

Last August, the city of Boston saw one of the most impressive sights in its history. For years, the men of this generation have

irreverently wondered how long we were going to carry, by pension, the Grand Army of the Republic. The boys had been too apt to stand upon the corners of the streets and comment flipantly, on the divisions as they passed. But the turn of history, to-day, has made the Grand Army of the Republic the aristocrats of the nation; they have taken the right of the line. The old uniform, to-day, has a new significance and a new inspiration. As the veterans marched up Beacon Hill, in August, I saw those old men struggling up that hill, too proud to fill the motors that were offered to them in any number. No, they would walk. They would rather take a part in that triumph, and there they walked, and I saw them struggle on, with the old marks on some collars, "U. S. Grant Post, Illinois," and the band before them playing, "Marching Through Georgia," or "Onward, Christian Soldiers," or some other inspiring strain. And there, in their midst, I saw a little old man, eighty-five years of age, with white beard and white hair, with the very uniform in which he fought that fight of '64, and with the identical knapsack on his back that he bore through those battles. There they marched, an inspiration to old Boston, with all her memories and all her inspirations and all her ideals, up by the State House. But that was only half the story. The rest came when the procession had just reached the State House. I saw struggling out of that historic old Frog Pond a plain, ordinary boy of the people, clad in a bathing-suit which cost him little if it cost him anything, and he hurried up the grass because he heard the music and he knew that there was something that he wanted to see. He crawled up that greensward, and he climbed up and stood on the backs of some, and then, when Old Glory came by, he raised up to his bare head his little hand and saluted the colors. Then I saw the living symbol of the proposition that let this war cost what it may, it is well worth the price.

*Singing: "THE STAR-SPANGLED BANNER."*

## REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS.

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The Board of Assessors submit the following report:—

Number of residents assessed on property . . . . .	446
"    " others assessed on property . . . . .	64
"    " non-residents assessed on property . . . . .	73
"    " all others assessed on property . . . . .	24
Total assessed on property . . . . .	607
"    " for poll-tax . . . . .	653
Number of acres of land assessed . . . . .	10,348.61
"    " dwelling-houses assessed . . . . .	537
"    " horses assessed . . . . .	347
"    " cows assessed . . . . .	640
"    " sheep assessed . . . . .	10
"    " swine assessed . . . . .	122
"    " neat cattle other than cows assessed . . . . .	89
"    " fowls assessed . . . . .	6,650
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Value of land exclusive of buildings . . . . .	\$1,840,200.00
"    " buildings exclusive of land . . . . .	2,324,275.00
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Total value of real estate . . . . .	\$4,164,475.00
"    " " personal estate . . . . .	827,648.00
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Total valuation . . . . .	\$4,992,123.00
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State tax . . . . .	\$19,910.00
State tax repairs of State highway . . . . .	953.60
Metropolitan Park tax . . . . .	4,754.47
County tax . . . . .	9,105.75
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Amount carried forward . . . . .	\$34,723.82

<i>Amount brought forward.</i>	\$34,723.82
Charles River Basin tax	1,145.08
Construction of Auburndale Bridge	788.00
Appropriated by the Town	92,580.00
Town Bonds	3,807.50
Overlayings	2,391.76
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Total	\$135,436.16
Deducted for estimated income	71,728.40
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Amount assessed April 1, 1917.	\$63,707.76
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Assessed on personal property	\$10,345.81
“        “ real estate	52,055.95
“        “ polls April 1	1,306.00
December assessment	34.80
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Tax rate, \$12.50 per \$1,000.	

EDWARD P. RIPLEY,  
DAVID W. LANE,  
CHARLES C. KENNEY,  
*Assessors of Weston.*

## REPORT OF THE AUDITOR.

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The Auditor respectfully submits the following report of the receipts and expenditures of the Town for the year ending December 31, 1917.

Have audited the books of the Treasurer and Collector, and find all moneys in his charge properly accounted for.

### Revenue Accounts.

#### RECEIPTS.

#### GENERAL REVENUE.

##### TAXES.

1914, Poll . . . . .	\$20.00
Property . . . . .	113.30
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1915, Poll . . . . .	\$128.00
Property . . . . .	1,565.03
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1916, Poll . . . . .	\$164.00
Property . . . . .	22,292.29
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1917, Poll . . . . .	\$986.00
Property . . . . .	54,422.05
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Commonwealth of Massachusetts Metropolitan Water Fund, in lieu of taxes,	311.77
Income Tax . . . . .	55,424.68
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<i>Amount carried forward . . . . .</i>	<i>\$135,427.12</i>

*Amount brought forward . . . . . \$135,427.12*

CORPORATION TAX.

Business . . . . .	\$439.83
Public Service . . . . .	6,496.09
	6,935.92

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NATIONAL BANK TAX.

1917 . . . . .	3,344.09
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LICENSES.

Junk . . . . .	\$70.00
Liquor transportation . . . . .	4.00
Milk . . . . .	5.50
	79.50

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FINES AND FORFEITS.

Second District Court of Eastern Middlesex . . . . .	5.00
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GRANTS AND GIFTS.

County Treasurer, dog tax . . . . .	338.56
Total General Revenue . . . . .	\$146,130.19

COMMERCIAL REVENUE.

MOTH ASSESSMENTS.

1915, Cash . . . . .	\$5.68
1916, Cash . . . . .	69.03
1917, Cash . . . . .	2,400.95
	\$2,475.66

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*Amounts carried forward . . . . . \$2,475.66 \$146,130.19*

*Amounts brought forward . . . . . \$2,475.66 \$146,130.19*

DEPARTMENTAL.

*Treasurer and Collector.*

Stone and Jones, tax inquiry,	\$1.00
Mass. Title Co., tax inquiry .	2.00
Brewer, Weed & Weed, tax inquiry . . . . .	1.00
Barker & Wood, tax inquiry .	1.00
Lincoln Hemenway, tax in- quiry . . . . .	1.00
Rackerman & Brewster, tax inquiry . . . . .	1.00
Samuel T. Harris, tax inquiry	1.00
Arthur E. Upham, telephone tolls . . . . .	2.50
	10.50

*Town Hall.*

Rent . . . . . 371.50

*Fire Department.*

Benj. R. Parker, sale of old junk . . . . . 62.70

*Auditing.*

Walter E. Wheeler, telephone tolls . . . . . 3.71

*Charities.*

Overseers of the Poor, rent of  
town farm . . . . . \$359.10

Town of Bourne . . . . . 110.00

469.10

*Soldiers' Benefits.*

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State  
Aid . . . . . 192.00

*Amounts carried forward . . . . . \$3,585.17 \$146,130.19*

*Amounts brought forward . . . . . \$3,585.17 \$146,130.19*

*Education.*

Philip E. Perry . . . . .	\$7.00
Mrs. F. W. Steadman, tuition . . . . .	10.00
Charles M. Eaton, tuition from Mrs. Tatwall . . . . .	10.00
Charles M. Eaton, telephone tolls and books sold . . . . .	25.53
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, account of educational and industrial school, . . . . .	175.00
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, account of State Board of Charity . . . . .	429.89
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	657.42

*Libraries.*

Fines . . . . .	113.00
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*Recreation.*

E. Jennings, rent of park land, . . . . .	\$100.00
E. B. Field, swimming-pool receipts . . . . .	1.44
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Parks Trust Fund . . . . .	22.06
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	123.50

*Unclassified.*

Fitchburg Mutual Insurance Co. . . . .	\$6.60
J. O. Lovewell, wood . . . . .	4.00
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*Amounts carried forward, . . . . . \$10.60 \$4,479.09 \$146,130.19*

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$10.60	\$4,479.09	\$146,130.19
F. W. Young, rowboat . . . . .	12.00		
Mrs. L. L. Case, deed . . . . .	1.00		
F. H. Upham, carbic cakes . . . . .	2.25		
Geo. Faber, sale of paper . . . . .	11.70		
E. Jennings, wood . . . . .	50.00	87.55	

*Privileges.*

Geo. W. Brodrick, weighing fees . . . . .	\$15.75		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons, weighing fees . . . . .	29.75	45.50	4,612.14

## CEMETERIES.

Cemetery Commissioners, sale of lots . . . . .	\$73.00		
Cemetery Commissioners, care of lots . . . . .	386.50		
Cemetery Commissioners, miscellaneous . . . . .	198.75	658.25	

*Interest.*

On deposits . . . . .	\$1,504.30		
On deferred taxes . . . . .	410.74		
On deferred moth assessments . . . . .	2.78		
On Burial-grounds Fund, sale of lots . . . . .	208.82		
On Burial-grounds Fund, perpetual care, . . . . .	372.91		
On Library Fund . . . . .	721.10		
On Park Fund . . . . .	25.80	3,246.45	

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS.

Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co. . . . .	50,000.00	
<i>Amount carried forward</i> . . . . .		\$204,647.03

*Amount brought forward . . . . . \$204,647.03*

AGENCY, TRUST, AND INVESTMENT TRANSACTIONS.

State and County taxes are included in general tax receipts.

*Trust.*

Burial-grounds, perpetual care . . . . .	350.00
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*Refund.*

Mrs. Forest Zoller, Poor Department . . . . .	\$32.00
Frost and Adams . . . . .	17.55
	49.55
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	\$205,046.58

Cash balance, January 1, 1917:

General Fund . . . . .	\$59,723.72
Library Income for books and periodicals . . . . .	555.92
Park Fund . . . . .	1,197.43
Town Hall Building Fund . . . . .	41,701.71
	103,178.78
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	\$308,225.36

PAYMENTS.

For Departmental Expenses:

General Government . . . . .	\$48,034.30
Protection of Persons and Property . . . . .	14,709.62
Health and Sanitation . . . . .	1,968.99
Highways . . . . .	34,597.70
Charities . . . . .	1,499.54
Soldiers' Benefits . . . . .	192.00
Education . . . . .	33,686.17
Libraries . . . . .	2,313.80
Recreation . . . . .	645.17
Unclassified . . . . .	1,183.66
Burial-grounds . . . . .	3,396.04
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<i>Amount carried forward . . . . .</i>	<i>\$142,226.99</i>

<i>Amount brought forward . . . . .</i>	\$142,226.99
Interest . . . . .	3,954.85
Town Common . . . . .	33,509.75
War, St. 1917, c. 264 . . . . .	13.55
Town Debt . . . . .	24,693.90
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Library, for books and periodicals . . . . .	1,060.42
State highway tax . . . . .	953.60

## RECREATION.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, main-	
tenance of Metropolitan Parks . . . . .	\$2,425.67
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, main-	
tenance of Charles River Basin . . . . .	628.22
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	3,053.89

## MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS AND INTEREST.

## INDEBTEDNESS.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Metropolitan Parks . . . . .	\$492.95
Charles River Basin . . . . .	41.40
Newton and Weston Bridge . . . . .	600.00
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co.,	
loan in anticipation of revenue . . . . .	35,000.00
Fire-engine House bond . . . . .	1,000.00
* Town Hall Bonds . . . . .	4,000.00
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	41,134.35

## INTEREST.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

Metropolitan Parks . . . . .	\$1,835.85
Charles River Basin . . . . .	475.46
Newton and Weston Bridge . . . . .	188.00
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	2,499.31

<i>Amount carried forward . . . . .</i>	\$253,100.61
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\* For bonds purchased, see Town Debt account.

*Amount brought forward . . . . . \$253,100.61*

**AGENCY, TRUST, AND INVESTMENT.**

**AGENCY.**

State Tax . . . . .	\$19,910.00
County of Middlesex Tax . . . . .	9,105.75
	29,015.75

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**TRUST.**

Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund, deposited in savings-banks . . . . .	350.00
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**INVESTMENT.**

Burial-grounds Fund, sale of lots, deposited in savings-banks, including interest . . . . .	281.82
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\$282,748.18

Cash balance January 1, 1917:

General Fund . . . . .	\$23,469.84
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Library Income for books and periodicals . . . . .	684.11
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Park Fund . . . . .	1,323.23	25,477.18
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\$308,225.36

## DETAIL STATEMENT OF DEPARTMENTAL EXPENSES.

**General Government.**

## COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF BY-LAWS.

Balance, January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$500.00
Balance, January 1, 1918 . . . . .	\$500.00
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	\$500.00
	\$500.00

## COMMITTEE ON SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$38.45
Balance transferred to Revenue . . . . .	\$38.45
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	\$38.45
	\$38.45

## SELECTMEN.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$600.00
Salaries and wages:	
Alfred L. Cutting, chair-	
man . . . . .	\$200.00
Benjamin L. Young, secre-	
tary . . . . .	200.00
Herbert E. Tyler . . . . .	100.00
Alice E. Jones . . . . .	4.00
Herbert E. Tyler, posting	
warrants . . . . .	2.00
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	\$506.00
Other expenses:	
Ephraim L. Barry . . . . .	\$8.35
Alfred L. Cutting . . . . .	1.89
Benjamin L. Young . . . . .	4.36
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	7.25
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$21.85
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	\$506.00
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	\$600.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$21.85	\$506.00	\$600.00
Foster Brothers . . . . .	4.40		
Herbert E. Tyler, postage .	.50		
Alice E. Jones, postage . .	8.02	34.77	
			\$540.77
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		59.23	
			\$600.00
			\$600.00

## AUDITING.

Appropriation . . . . .			\$600.00
Salaries and wages:			
Walter E. Wheeler . . . . .		\$400.00	
Other expenses:			
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. .	\$21.01		
Allen Doane & Co., Inc. .	2.50		
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	77.25		
Walter E. Wheeler, stamped envelopes, express, etc. .	22.42	123.18	
			\$523.18
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		76.82	
			\$600.00
			\$600.00

## TREASURER AND COLLECTOR.

Appropriation . . . . .			\$1,100.00
Salaries and wages:			
Arthur E. Upham . . . . .		\$800.00	
Other expenses:			
Edward Spaulding & Co.,			
prem. on bond . . . . .	\$150.00		
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	15.25		
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$165.25	\$800.00	\$1,100.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$165.25	\$800.00	\$1,100.00
Hobbs & Warren . . . . .	20.50		
Thomas Groom & Co. . . . .	3.75		
Ephraim L. Barry . . . . .	17.50		
Arthur E. Upham, stamped envelopes, etc. . . . .	74.64		
Waltham National Bank . . . . .	5.00	286.64	
		\$1,086.64	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		13.36	
		\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00
<b>ASSESSORS.</b>			
Appropriation . . . . .			\$850.00
Salaries and wages:			
Edward P. Ripley . . . . .	\$300.00		
David W. Lane . . . . .	100.00		
Charles C. Kenney . . . . .	100.00		
Alice E. Jones, clerk . . . . .	150.00	\$650.00	
Other expenses:			
Hobbs & Warren . . . . .	\$10.63		
Smith & Porter Press, Inc.,	31.43		
L. L. Applin, transfers, etc.	12.99		
Alice E. Jones, express, postage, etc. . . . .	1.42	56.47	
		\$706.47	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		143.53	
		\$850.00	\$850.00

## TOWN CLERK.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$350.00
Salaries and wages:		
Alfred L. Cutting, Town Clerk <i>pro tempore</i> . . . . .	\$250.00	
Alfred L. Cutting, clerical assistance . . . . .	50.00	\$300.00
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Other expenses:		
The Carter's Ink Co. . . . .	\$2.20	
Alfred L. Cutting, record- ing births, marriages, deaths, postage, etc. . . . .	23.32	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	1.10	26.62
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		\$326.62
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	23.38	
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		\$350.00
		\$350.00

## LAW.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$600.00
Jacob Reavers . . . . .	\$150.00	
Samuel C. Bennett . . . . .	53.55	
Henry J. Jennison Estate . . . . .	25.00	
Choate, Hall & Stewart . . . . .	419.79	\$648.34
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Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .		48.34
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		\$648.34
		\$648.34

## ELECTION AND REGISTRATION.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$300.00
Salaries and wages:		
Alfred L. Cutting, clerk <i>pro tempore</i> , registrar . . . . .	\$30.00	
Geo. R. Steadman, regis- trar . . . . .	30.00	
Andrew Fiske, registrar . . . . .	30.00	
Cornelius M. Kelliher . . . . .	18.50	
Thomas W. Scott . . . . .	18.00	
Andrew Fiske . . . . .	10.00	
Henry A. Wheeler . . . . .	11.50	
Geo. Faber . . . . .	2.50	
Wm. O. Kenney . . . . .	4.50	
John J. Cronin . . . . .	9.50	
Jeremiah Sliney . . . . .	9.50	
Robert H. Trask . . . . .	2.00	
Warren P. Adams, Jr. . . . .	1.50	
Herbert E. Tyler . . . . .	10.00	
Walter E. Wheeler . . . . .	3.50	\$191.00
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Other expenses:		
Ephraim L. Barry . . . . .	\$44.75	
Alice B. Harrington . . . . .	2.00	
Alice E. Jones . . . . .	3.65	
Wright & Potter Printing Co. . . . .	29.00	
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	6.50	85.90
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	\$276.90	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	23.10	<hr/>
		\$300.00
		\$300.00

## TOWN HALL.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$2,600.00
Salaries and wages:		
Melvin B. Sherman . . . . .	\$590.00	
Melvin B. Sherman, cash paid for labor . . . . .	21.83	
George Faber . . . . .	108.50	\$720.33
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Other expenses:		
Western Coal Co., coal at \$7.60, \$9.75 and \$10.00 per ton . . . . .	\$390.90	
Geo. H. D. Lamson . . . . .	12.00	
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., The Edison Electric Illu- minating Co. . . . .	62.06	
C. E. Woodhull . . . . .	93.27	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . .	15.00	
Wm. J. Bartlett . . . . .	59.62	
Edward Spaulding & Co., insurance . . . . .	4.50	
Benjamin R. Parker . . . . .	154.65	
Weston Water Co. . . . .	2.40	
Reformatory for Women, flags . . . . .	30.33	
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	15.50	
Herbert E. Tyler, express, etc. . . . .	6.00	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, 36 chairs . . . . .	.74	
Arthur L. Hersum . . . . .	33.00	
Warren F. Emerson . . . . .	3.25	
Alfred L. Cutting, postage and freight . . . . .	5.32	
	4.64	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$893.18	\$720.33
		\$2,600.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$893.18	\$720.33	\$2,600.00
Leighton - Mitchell Co., waterproofing end of building . . . . .	350.00		
Fred T. Bearce . . . . .	13.00		
The Edison Electric Illuminating Co., 50.8 feet underground construction . . . . .	129.54		
Melvin B. Sherman, care of flag . . . . .	5.00		
E. W. Jennison, express . . . . .	1.98	1,392.70	
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## Dedication of new hall:

Alice E. Jones, addressing envelopes, postage, etc. . . . .	\$22.65		
Geo. H. Ellis Co., printing, . . . . .	38.75		
Strauch's Orchestra . . . . .	24.00		
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	6.00		
Elite Garage . . . . .	2.00		
R. J. Martin . . . . .	24.49	117.89	
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		\$2,230.92	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	369.08		
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		\$2,600.00	\$2,600.00

## NEW TOWN HALL.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$41,701.71		
Leighton-Mitchell Co., general contractor . . . . .	\$25,873.25		
T. A. Ridder, heating and ventilating . . . . .	5,965.98		
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$31,839.23		\$41,701.71

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$31,839.23	\$41,701.71
Lord Electric Co., electrical wiring . . . . .	1,732.25	
Herring-Hall-Marvin Safe Co., vault fronts . . .	84.00	
Yeomans Brothers Co., elec. bilge pump . . . .	485.00	
R. H. James & Co., plumb- ing . . . . .	2,240.50	
D. Eddy & Sons Co., re- frigerator . . . . .	42.00	
J. B. Hunter Co., hardware,	1,500.00	
H. W. Johns-Manville Co., asbestos fire curtain . .	173.00	
Champion Metal Weather Strip and Parting Bead Co., weather stripping ..	160.00	
Bigelow & Wadsworth, ar- chitects . . . . .	2,821.63	
Arthur A. Shurtleff, land- scape architect . . . .	303.86	
Weston & Sampson, ser- vices in connection with sewage disposal . . . .	37.63	
Densmore & Le Clear, en- gineers on heating and ventilating . . . . .	239.86	
Geo. W. Cutting, Jr., civil engineer . . . . .	25.00	
Edward Spaulding & Co. .	10.50	\$41,694.46
Balance transferred to Revenue . . . . .	7.25	
	\$41,701.71	\$41,701.71
Total for General Government:		
Expenses . . . . .	\$6,339.84	
Outlays . . . . .	41,694.46	\$48,034.30

## Protection of Persons and Property.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$2,000.00
<b>Salaries and wages:</b>		
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	\$109.25	
George Faber . . . . .	756.00	
Jeremiah Sliney . . . . .	152.50	
N. P. Squires . . . . .	468.00	
Geo. V. Hildreth . . . . .	1.50	
Herbert E. Tyler . . . . .	5.00	
John Lingley . . . . .	3.00	
Charles Davis . . . . .	3.00	
Wm. Bumpus . . . . .	3.00	
Henry A. Grimwood . . . . .	3.00	
R. H. Trask . . . . .	3.00	
Bennie Melanson . . . . .	3.00	
Melvin B. Sherman . . . . .	3.00	
Silas Small . . . . .	3.00	
John J. Clifford . . . . .	10.92	
Charles A. Freeman . . . . .	6.00	
Edwin F. Knight . . . . .	40.00	
W. O. Crooker . . . . .	10.00	\$1,583.17
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<b>Automobile hire:</b>		
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	\$120.25	
Harlan Berry . . . . .	3.50	
Herbert E. Tyler . . . . .	5.00	
W. O. Crooker . . . . .	7.00	135.75
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<b>Equipment and repairs:</b>		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	\$23.70	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$23.70	\$1,718.92
		\$2,000.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$23.70	\$1,718.92	\$2,000.00
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P. J. McAuliffe, motor cycle . . . . .	235.00
P. J. McAuliffe, repairs to motor cycle . . . . .	51.19
M. Linsky & Brothers, uni- form . . . . .	23.50
George N. Holden . . . . .	31.45
George Faber . . . . .	2.75
	367.59

Other expenses:

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	\$22.78
P. J. McAuliffe, gasoline, oil, etc. . . . .	79.57
George V. Hildreth . . . . .	10.02
P. J. McAuliffe, use of tele- phone March, 1915, to March, 1917 . . . . .	100.00
Jeremiah Sliney . . . . .	.40
City of Waltham . . . . .	5.50
A. M. Cheney . . . . .	2.00
J. J. Curtin, M.D. . . . .	2.00
John J. Flynn . . . . .	20.00
Edwin F. Knight . . . . .	11.38
	253.65

Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	340.16
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	\$2,340.16	\$2,340.16
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FIRE DEPARTMENT.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$4,250.00
Salaries and wages:	

Benj. R. Parker, services for 15 months . . . . .	\$150.00
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$150.00	\$4,250.00
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*Amounts brought forward,*      \$150.00      \$4,250.00

Combination No. 1:

Frank C. Mulock . . . . .	54.00
James W. Tozier . . . . .	26.50
Charles A. Hews . . . . .	44.50
Frank G. Hews . . . . .	36.00
Arthur M. Cheney . . . . .	30.00
Jerry Sliney . . . . .	29.50
Henry D. Travis . . . . .	22.50
Reginald W. Stevens . . . .	17.50
Lewis C. Stevens . . . . .	26.00
J. Wesley Jones . . . . .	12.50
Benj. Parker . . . . .	34.50
Geo. W. D. Emerson . . . .	20.00
William C. Bramhall . . . .	7.50
Geo. M. Upham . . . . .	21.00
Robert A. Martin . . . . .	16.50
J. Fenwick Lamson . . . . .	26.00
Frank A. Sherburne . . . . .	1.00

Hook and Ladder No. 1:

Raymond W. Coburn . . . . .	8.50
P. Miller . . . . .	20.00
Ralph E. Vittum . . . . .	8.50
Harlan C. Berry . . . . .	15.50
William A. Vittum . . . . .	1.00
J. Sumner Viles . . . . .	1.00
Fred W. Hill . . . . .	6.50
A. L. Dudley . . . . .	3.50

Hose No. 2:

Harold W. Coburn . . . . .	8.50
Albert E. Coburn . . . . .	10.50

*Amounts carried forward,*      \$659.00      \$4,250.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$659.00	\$4,250.00
Thomas Kelley . . . . .	7.50	
Francis R. Atkinson . . . . .	4.00	
O. C. Briggs . . . . .	1.00	
W. Henderson . . . . .	1.00	
Fighting and watching fires, washing and packing hose:		
Frank C. Mulock . . . . .	10.60	
James W. Tozier . . . . .	14.80	
Lewis C. Stevens . . . . .	12.20	
Winfred N. Scott . . . . .	4.50	
Charles A. Hews . . . . .	7.05	
Arthur M. Cheney . . . . .	17.85	
George W. D. Emerson . . . . .	37.50	
Louis De Ambrose . . . . .	.50	
Hook & Hastings Co. . . . .	3.50	
Henry D. Travis . . . . .	7.50	
Arthur L. Vittum . . . . .	14.00	
Robert McAuliffe . . . . .	1.50	
Jerry Sliney . . . . .	2.40	
Reginald Stevens . . . . .	8.20	
Littleton Strong . . . . .	1.00	
Arthur Moore . . . . .	1.00	
Joseph Lamson . . . . .	1.60	
Benjamin Parker . . . . .	1.60	
Warren Vittum . . . . .	.80	
Earle W. Moore . . . . .	2.50	
Repairing and changing line:		
Frank G. Hews . . . . .	33.00	
Charles A. Hews . . . . .	4.55	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	<hr/> \$860.65	<hr/> \$4,250.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$860.65	\$4,250.00
Arthur M. Cheney . . .	33.78	
Henry D. Travis . . .	12.00	
<b>Janitors and care of line and equipment:</b>		
Arthur M. Cheney . . .	360.00	
Arthur L. Vittum . . .	55.00	
Harlan C. Berry . . .	45.00	
Reginald W. Stevens . . .	82.50	
Harold W. Coburn . . .	15.00	
Jerry Sliney . . . .	44.40	
Lewis Stevens . . . .	64.20	
C. F. Whittemore . . . .	10.00	<b>\$1,582.53</b>
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<b>Horse and automobile hire:</b>		
P. J. McAuliffe, line work .	\$6.00	
Henry D. Travis, line work,	3.00	
Frank G. Hews, line work .	9.75	
P. J. McAuliffe . . . .	28.50	
Thomas E. Coburn Estate,	30.00	
F. H. Brown . . . .	2.50	<b>79.75</b>
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<b>Equipment and repairs:</b>		
Arthur L. Hersum . . . .	\$16.84	
The Gamewell Fire Alarm	-	
Telegraph Co. . . .	38.23	
Benj. R. Parker . . . .	92.91	
B. H. Dickson, Jr. . . .	1.26	
O. F. Kress & Son, White	-	
Forester Truck . . . .	750.00	
State Forester's Office . .	9.00	
Pettingell Andrews Co. . .	46.07	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$954.31	\$1,662.28
		<b>\$4,250.00</b>

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$954.31	\$1,662.28	\$4,250.00
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Frank C. Mulock . . . . .	32.80
The Holtzer-Cabot Elec. Co. . . . .	15.34
The Standard Extinguisher Co. . . . .	61.25
The White Co. . . . .	2.82
Henry K. Barnes Co., 500 feet hose . . . . .	327.60
	1,394.12

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Fuel and light:

The Edison Elec. Ill. Co. . . . .	\$57.85
Weston Coal Co., coal at \$7.25, \$7.60, and \$9.75 per ton . . . . .	413.55
	471.40

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Buildings and grounds:

Weston Water Co. . . . .	\$36.00
Geo. W. Brodrick . . . . .	1.15
Frank C. Mulock . . . . .	20.60
Arthur L. Hersum . . . . .	14.02
Wm. J. Bartlett . . . . .	66.60
Thomas W. Scott . . . . .	2.05
Arthur M. Cheney . . . . .	13.50
	153.92

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Other expenses:

New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	\$85.76
Field & Cowles, ins. pre- mium . . . . .	62.50
Benj. R. Parker, gasoline, etc. . . . .	133.49
Pettingell Andrews Co. . . . .	1.50
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$283.25
	\$3,681.72
	\$4,250.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$283.25	\$3,681.72	\$4,250.00
Codyer & Cavanaugh . . .	3.00		
The Edison Elec. Ill. Co.,			
charging batteries . . .	81.69		
Weston Hand Laundry . . .	8.70		
Arthur L. Vittum . . . .	.77		
Henry K. Barnes Co., soda,	48.28		
Hook & Hastings Co. . .	1.50		
Pureoxia Co. . . . .	3.15		
E. W. Jennison . . . .	4.53		
S. M. Spencer Mfg. Co.,			
badges . . . . .	22.00		
Wellesley Steam Laundry,	.67		
National Express Co. . .	.91		
The Gamewell Fire Alarm			
Tel Co. . . . .	10.01	468.46	
		\$4,150.18	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		99.82	
		\$4,250.00	\$4,250.00

## HYDRANT SERVICE.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,500.00
Weston Water Co. . . . .	\$1,475.00	
Transferred to Revenue . . . .	25.00	
	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

## SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$75.00
The Fairbanks Co. . . . .	\$3.05	
Charles A. Freeman . . . . .	65.86	\$68.91
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	6.09	
		\$75.00
		\$75.00

## MOTH EXTERMINATION.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$6,000.00
Salaries and wages:		
Edward P. Ripley, Superintendent, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .	\$393.00	
J. Wesley Jones, at \$2.50, \$2.70, and \$3.00 per day, . . . . .	311.15	
Anthony Sheehan, at \$2.50 per day . . . . .	10.00	
Gardner Tucker, at \$2.70 and \$3.00 per day . . . . .	92.70	
Amri Barker, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .	84.00	
Charles Kearney, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	59.40	
Elmer Beckwith, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	18.90	
Richard Buckley, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	70.20	
James Bruce, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . . . .	64.10	
Robert Bruce, at \$2.25 per day . . . . .	50.63	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,154.08	\$6,000.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,154.08	\$6,000.00
E. Wood, at \$2.50 per day,	62.50	
Elmer Priest at \$2.50 per day . . . . .	62.50	
Walter Dodge, at \$2.50 per day . . . . .	62.50	
Charles Guthrie, at \$2.50 per day . . . . .	62.50	
George Cheney, at \$2.00 per day . . . . .	10.00	
W. T. Dunphy, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . .	212.30	
Frank Miani, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . . . .	215.20	
Giuseppe Ferranti, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . .	352.70	
Pasquale, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . . . .	320.50	
Luigi Supi, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . . . .	136.90	
Giuseppe, at \$2.70 per day,	310.50	
Angelo Menna, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	226.80	
Supi Miani, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	175.50	
Joseph Davis, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	89.10	
John A. C. Livermore, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .	24.00	
Other laborers, at \$2.50 and \$2.70 per day . . . . .	631.80	\$4,109.38
<i>Amounts carried forward</i>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
	\$4,109.38	\$6,000.00

*Amounts brought forward . . . . . \$4,109.38      \$6,000.00*

Horse and automobile hire:

Cherith M. Foote, truck . . . . .	\$20.00
Thomas E. Coburn, double team at \$7.00 per day . . . . .	136.00
W. H. Thompson . . . . .	273.00
Beriah L. Ogilvie . . . . .	139.50
	568.50

Equipment, repairs, and supplies:

Samuel Cabot . . . . .	\$7.14
M. E. Crouse . . . . .	11.06
J. Comer Jones Power & Pump Co. . . . .	3.33
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	39.44
W. M. Farwell . . . . .	226.10
The Grasselli Chemical Co. . . . .	455.00
	742.07

Other expenses:

State Forester . . . . .	\$523.49
Southborough Print Shop . . . . .	2.85
Standard Oil Co. of N.Y. . . . .	159.25
Weston Water Co. . . . .	100.00
	785.59

Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	205.54
	\$6,205.54
	\$6,205.54

TREE WARDEN.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500.00
Salaries and wages:	
Edward P. Ripley . . . . .	\$10.80

<i>Amounts carried forward, . . . . .</i>	\$10.80
	\$500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$10.80	\$500.00
Edward P. Ripley, cash paid to:		
Pasquale, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	105.30	
Angelo Menna, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	105.30	
Supi Miani, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	102.60	
Giuseppe, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .	70.20	
Other laborers, at \$2.70 per day. . . . .	40.50	
C. F. Mosher, at \$2.70 per day. . . . .	1.05	\$435.75
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All other expenses:		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	\$9.25	
Framingham Nurseries . .	17.00	
G. W. Cutting & Sons . .	2.83	
Edward P. Ripley . . . . .	5.00	34.08
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	\$469.83	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	30.17	
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	\$500.00	\$500.00
Total for Protection of Persons and Property . . .		\$14,709.62

**Health and Sanitation.****HEALTH DEPARTMENT.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$230.00
Salaries and wages:	
Geo. Faber . . . . .	\$25.00
Frank H. Allison, two years, . . . . .	50.00
Fresenius Van Nüys, M.D., . . . . .	25.00
A. H. Dunn . . . . .	3.00
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	\$103.00
Other expenses:	
Waltham Publishing Co. . . . .	\$3.13
State Dept. of Health . . . . .	2.65
Co-operating Boards of Health . . . . .	2.50
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	5.46
Rutland State Sanatorium, . . . . .	181.79
Mass. Homœopathic Hos- pital . . . . .	172.50
James H. McKenna . . . . .	2.50
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Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	243.53
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	\$473.53
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	\$473.53

**INSPECTION OF ANIMALS AND DRESSED MEATS.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$450.00
E. Jennings, inspection of cattle and barns, . . . . .	\$228.50
Geo. E. Trask, inspection of dressed meats . . . . .	300.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	17.04
Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	95.54
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	\$545.54
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	\$545.54

## INSPECTION OF SCHOOL-CHILDREN.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$300.00
Fresenius Van Nüys, M.D. . . . .	\$300.00	
	\$300.00	\$300.00

## CO-OPERATING BOARDS OF HEALTH.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$650.00
The Co-operating Boards of Health . . .	\$649.92	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	.08	
	\$650.00	\$650.00
Total for Health and Sanitation . . . . .		\$1,968.99

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

## SUPERINTENDENT.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,200.00
Percy Warren . . . . .	\$600.00	
Raymond Coburn . . . . .	300.00	\$900.00
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	300.00	
	\$1,200.00	\$1,200.00

## GENERAL MAINTENANCE.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$20,500.00
Labor:		
A. M. Upham, at \$4.00 per day . . . . .	\$824.67	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$824.67	\$20,500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>		\$824.67	\$20,500.00
A. M. Upham, cash paid to Luke Brenord, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .		364.50	
Silas Small, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .		453.00	
Lewis Stevens, at \$2.70 and \$3.00 per day . .		392.40	
W. A. Jones, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .		137.53	
James White, at \$2.85 per day . . . . .		113.48	
Other laborers, at \$2.50, \$2.70, \$2.85, and \$3.00 per day . . . . .		1,601.58	
Percy Warren, cash paid to Lewis Stevens, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .		108.00	
Other laborers, at \$2.70 per day . . . . .		1,016.40	
Estate of Percy Warren, cash paid to			
Lewis Stevens . . . . .		48.60	
Luke Brenord . . . . .		60.00	
Silas Small . . . . .		60.00	
Other laborers . . . . .		337.50	
Luke Brenord, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .		192.00	
John Cameron, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .		9.00	
Frank C. Mulock, carpen- ter, at \$5.20 per day . .		66.30	
Charles A. Hews, engineer on roller at \$4.50 per day,		981.00	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>		<hr/> \$6,765.96	<hr/> \$20,500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$6,765.96	\$20,500.00
Silas Small, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .	156.00	
Geo. W. D. Emerson . . . . .	2.00	
Henry D. Travis, painting fences . . . . .	140.00	\$7,063.96
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## Teams:

A. M. Upham, horses at \$1.75 per day . . . . .	\$486.43	
Horses, at \$2.15 per day, Double team at \$7.00 per day . . . . .	203.91	
	1,879.50	
Single team at \$5.00 per day . . . . .	28.30	
Thomas E. Coburn Estate, double team, at \$7.00 per day . . . . .	329.56	
Single team at \$5.00 per day . . . . .	15.50	
Cherith M. Foote, truck . . . . .	28.00	2,971.20
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## Broken stone and gravel:

Weston Water Co., gravel at 10c. per ton . . . . .	\$230.00	
Massachusetts Broken Stone Co., broken stone: egg, \$0.90 and \$1.00; nut, \$1.10; pea, \$1.20; dust, \$1.00 per ton . . . . .	647.72	
Wm. Whittemore, gravel at 25c. per load . . . . .	12.50	
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*Amounts carried forward,*      \$890.22    \$10,035.16    \$20,500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$890.22	\$10,035.16	\$20,500.00
Dennis J. Eldridge, gravel at 25c, per load . . . . .	2.50	892.72	
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Tarvia and oil:			
The Barrett Co. . . . .	\$6,799.19		
Standard Oil Co. of N.Y. . .	327.20		
Percy Warren, freight . . .	8.70		
B. & M. Railroad, freight.	5.22		
R. W. Coburn, freight . . .	4.00	7,144.31	
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Pipe, cement, lumber, etc.:			
Weston Coal Co. . . . .	\$69.61		
F. C. Mulock . . . . .	68.69		
The Buttrick Lumber Co. . .	27.81		
Geo. W. D. Emerson . . .	2.00		
R. W. Coburn, freight . . .	13.11	181.22	
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Equipment and repairs:			
The Waltham Forge . . . .	\$116.81		
M. E. Crouse . . . . .	178.05		
Edward R. Ladew Co. . . .	6.83		
Buffalo Springfield Roller Co. . . . .	27.29		
A. W. Chesterton Co. . . .	41.27		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	33.58		
Walworth Manufacturing Co. . . . .	3.37		
Maurice J. Watson Co. . .	22.00		
New England Road Ma- chinery Co. . . . .	364.55		
Pettingell-Andrews Co. . .	123.19		
Dyar Supply Co. . . . .	40.59		
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$957.53	\$18,253.41	\$20,500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$957.53	\$18,253.41	\$20,500.00
Ingersoll-Sergeant Drill Co.	80.42		
R. W. Coburn . . . . .	2.00		
B. & M. Railroad . . . . .	23.90		
Massachusetts Broken Stone Co. . . . .	34.70	1,098.55	
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All other expenses:			
Percy Warren, use of auto- mobile . . . . .	\$168.00		
R. W. Coburn, use of auto- mobile . . . . .	169.84		
R. W. Coburn, telephone .	1.10		
A. M. Upham, telephone .	30.00		
Weston Water Co., rent of engine room . . . . .	120.00		
electric power . . . . .	172.90		
water . . . . .	27.00		
Percy Warren, express and freight . . . . .	126.87		
Weston Coal Co., coal at \$7.60, \$7.85 per ton . .	89.10		
Mutual Boiler Insurance Co. . . . .	35.00		
Davis and Farnum Manu- facturing Co. . . . .	37.50		
A. W. Chesterton Co. . .	17.78		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	204.63		
Standard Oil Co. of N. Y., gasoline . . . . .	317.90		
Waltham Coal Co., coal at \$5.75 long ton . . . . .	225.90		
National Express Co. . . . .	2.83		
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,746.35	\$19,351.96	\$20,500.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,746.35	\$19,351.96	\$20,500.00
A. M. Upham, express . . . . .	.85		
Estate of Percy Warren, express . . . . .	1.66		
Estate of Percy Warren, use of automobile . . . . .	57.00		
Henry D. Travis . . . . .	15.29		
R. W. Coburn, express, freight, etc. . . . .	19.68		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	25.81		
Ralph Kenney, coal . . . . .	10.60		
Wadsworth, Howland & Co., . . . . .	8.50		
H. M. Sawyer & Son . . . . .	16.76		
Rufus Warren & Sons . . . . .	15.20	1,917.70	
		\$21,269.66	
Transferred to Machinery and Equipment . . . . .		209.90	
Transferred from Sidewalks . . . . .			873.35
Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .			106.21
		\$21,479.56	\$21,479.56

## MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$3,500.00
Buffalo Steam Roller Co. . . . .		\$350.00
The Autocar Sales and Service Co., auto-car truck . . . . .		2,209.90
George Haiss, wagon loader . . . . .		1,150.00
Transferred from General Repairs . . . . .		209.90
		\$3,709.90
		\$3,709.90

## SIDEWALKS (General).

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,500.00
Weston Water Co., 8-inch		
C. I. pipe . . . . .	\$20.00	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, 12 feet of pipe . . . . .	8.00	
Barbour-Stockwell Co., grates and frames . . . . .	85.00	
H. E. Fletcher Co., 6 inlet stones . . . . .	54.00	
Hays Bros., laying concrete walks . . . . .	459.65	\$626.65
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Transferred to General Repairs . . . . .	873.35	—
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	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00

## SNOW AND ICE.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$800.00
Labor:		
A. M. Upham . . . . .	\$95.32	
A. M. Upham, cash paid to		
Henry D. Travis . . . . .	3.00	
Lewis Stevens . . . . .	19.00	
W. A. Jones . . . . .	21.51	
Other laborers . . . . .	103.66	
Thomas E. Coburn Estate,	43.40	
Cherith M. Foote . . . . .	18.21	
John Cameron . . . . .	16.50	
Luke Brenord . . . . .	21.00	
Frank H. Upham . . . . .	5.40	
J. Wesley Jones . . . . .	4.30	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$351.30	
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		\$800.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$351.30	\$800.00
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W. A. Jones . . . . .	21.15
Henry D. Travis . . . . .	13.50
Henry A. Wheeler . . . . .	3.00
Irad Foote . . . . .	2.70
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	\$391.65

## Teams:

Thomas E. Coburn Estate, . . . . .	\$184.78
A. M. Upham . . . . .	152.06
E. Jennings . . . . .	24.50
Cherith M. Foote . . . . .	19.88
Beriah L. Ogilvie . . . . .	30.00
A. G. Loker . . . . .	4.00
G. H. D. Lamson . . . . .	42.00
Henry A. Wheeler . . . . .	2.00
Joseph W. Paulson . . . . .	14.00
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	473.22

## Other expenses:

Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	\$1.79
L. J. Freeman . . . . .	2.40
Albert E. Coburn . . . . .	5.00
M. E. Crouse . . . . .	70.20
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	79.39

Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	144.26
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	\$944.26

## OTHER EXPENSES.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500.00
Weston Water Co., fountains, . . . . .	\$346.50
Jerry Sliney, care of signs . . . . .	55.00
Waterman & Leavitt, signs . . . . .	8.25
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	\$409.75

Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	90.25
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	\$500.00

\$500.00

## STREET LIGHTS.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$7,000.00
Edison Electric Illuminating Co. . . . .	\$6,434.66	
Carbic Manufacturing Co. . . . .	302.82	\$6,737.48
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	262.52	
	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00
Total for Highways . . . . .		\$34,597.70

## Charities.

## POOR DEPARTMENT—ADMINISTRATION.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$175.00
Salaries and wages:		
Henry A. Wheeler . . . . .	\$50.00	
Wm. B. Robbins . . . . .	50.00	
Arthur Woodward . . . . .	50.00	\$150.00
Other expenses:		
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co.,	\$18.97	
Hobbs & Warren . . . . .	1.00	19.97
	\$169.97	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	5.03	
	\$175.00	\$175.00

## SUPPORT OF POOR.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$800.00
Refund . . . . .		32.00
Outside Relief, this town . . . . .	\$399.27	
Outside Relief, other towns . . . . .	152.05	
Waltham Baby Hospital . . . . .	19.75	\$571.07

## Town Farm:

Town of Lincoln, taxes . . . . .	8.50	
		\$579.57
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	252.43	
		\$832.00
		\$832.00

## WALTHAM HOSPITAL—WESTON FREE BEDS.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$750.00
Waltham Hospital . . . . .	\$750.00	
		\$750.00
Total for Charities . . . . .		\$1,499.54

## Soldiers' Benefits.

## STATE AID.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$200.00
Mrs. Harriet F. Stimpson . . . . .	\$48.00	
Mrs. Ellen Smith . . . . .	48.00	
Hosea F. Travis . . . . .	48.00	
Jos. C. Richardson . . . . .	48.00	\$192.00
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	8.00	
		\$200.00
		\$200.00

**Education.****ADMINISTRATION—SALARIES.**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$800.00
Mrs. Carolyn E. Burrage, School Committee . . . . .	\$250.00	
Warren P. Adams, Jr., School Committee . . . . .	100.00	
Charles O. Richardson, School Committee . . . . .	100.00	
Charles M. Eaton, Superin- tendent . . . . .	240.00	
Alice L. Hosmer, Superin- tendent of Grammar School Building . . . . .	50.00	
Frank H. Upham, truant officer . . . . .	26.25	\$766.25
Transferred to Transportation . . . . .	33.75	
		\$800.00
		\$800.00

**OTHER GENERAL EXPENSES.**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$400.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. . . . .	\$168.29	
Ethel Brown . . . . .	3.00	
Mrs. Carolyn E. Burrage . . . . .	1.00	
Geo. H. Ellis Co., 125 copies attendance report . . . . .	44.00	
Wright & Potter Printing Co., . . . . .	1.50	
Charles M. Eaton . . . . .	10.91	
Frank H. Upham, taking school census . . . . .	25.00	\$253.70
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	146.30	
		\$400.00
		\$400.00

## TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$16,350.00
Charles M. Eaton, High .	\$2,240.00	
August H. Wigren, " .	720.00	
H. D. Hatch, " .	520.00	
Emma F. Ripley, " .	840.00	
Gertrude M. Jackson, " .	510.00	
Virginia Mabrey, " .	320.00	
Constance E. Burrage, " .	820.00	
Helen B. Green, " .	820.00	
Marian E. Shaw, Grade 8,	770.00	
Dora L. Kirwin, " 7,	480.00	
Mrs. Nellie Hill, " 7,	162.00	
Laura M. K. Fisher, " 7,	70.00	
Hazel M. Staples, " 6,	720.00	
Alice L. Hosmer, " 5,	820.00	
Annie K. Jameson, " 4,	770.00	
Catherine D. Crawford, " 3,	360.00	
Rebecca McKenna, " 3,	330.00	
Ella L. Richardson, " 2,	690.00	
Emily F. Adams, " 1,	770.00	
Elizabeth J. Viles, North School . . . . .	770.00	
Beatrice Upham, South School . . . . .	300.00	
Francis Upham, South School	200.00	
Sarah E. Jewett, Drawing .	250.00	
Charles E. Boyd, Music .	400.00	
Philip E. Perry, Manual Training . . . . .	1,041.00	
Helen W. Cutting, substitute,	17.88	
Verna M. Draper, tutoring .	5.00	
Helen G. Hill, substitute .	11.44	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$15,727.32	
		\$16,350.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$15,727.32	\$16,350.00
Pauline Coburn, tutoring . . . . .	16.67	
Harold A. Mosher, Librarian, . . . . .	90.00	\$15,833.99
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	516.01	
	\$16,350.00	\$16,350.00

## TEXT-BOOKS AND SUPPLIES.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,800.00
Text-books:		
The Macmillan Co. . . . .	\$85.02	
Allyn & Bacon . . . . .	57.66	
Ginn & Co. . . . .	94.11	
D. C. Heath & Co. . . . .	82.11	
American Book Co. . . . .	63.82	
Benj. H. Sanborn & Co. . . . .	33.92	
Silver, Burdett & Co. . . . .	130.18	
Dr. John A. Lester . . . . .	2.00	
Dodd, Mead & Co. . . . .	114.00	
Oliver Ditson Co. . . . .	5.55	
Houghton Mifflin Co. . . . .	35.62	
Lyons & Carnahan . . . . .	19.17	
Whitcomb & Barrows . . . . .	9.23	
C. C. Birchard & Co. . . . .	7.78	
W. B. Clark Co. . . . .	6.00	
Little, Brown & Co. . . . .	10.40	
Edward E. Babb & Co. . . . .	69.97	
L. A. Wells, binding books, . . . . .	129.05	
Harvard University Press, . . . . .	3.20	
Pan American Union . . . . .	.80	
Harper Brothers . . . . .	2.25	\$961.84
<i>Amounts carried forward</i> . . . . .	\$961.84	\$1,800.00

<i>Amounts brought forward</i>		\$961.84	\$1,800.00
Supplies and express:			
American Express Co.	. . . . .	\$8.57	
Shepard Norwell Co.	. . . . .	16.36	
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins	. . . . .	564.54	
Ephraim L. Barry	. . . . .	4.25	
Anson K. Cross	. . . . .	3.70	
Geo. Watson	. . . . .	2.60	
M. Steinert Co.	. . . . .	3.44	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co.,		3.57	
E. W. Jennison	. . . . .	11.25	
Frost & Adams Co.	. . . . .	25.98	
Dora L. Kirwin	. . . . .	1.53	
W. T. Burrage & Co.	. . . . .	5.98	
Beatrice Upham	. . . . .	4.00	
Alice L. Hosmer	. . . . .	1.25	
Clifford S. Cobb Co.	. . . . .	8.95	
Neostyle Sales Agency	. . . . .	10.59	
Emily F. Adams	. . . . .	5.22	
Annie K. Jameson	. . . . .	.25	
Charles M. Eaton	. . . . .	.94	
National Express Co.	. . . . .	14.65	
J. L. Hammett Co.	. . . . .	24.79	
Milton Bradley Co.	. . . . .	17.40	
The Holden Patent Book			
Cover Co.	. . . . .	8.90	
The Historical Publishing			
Co.	. . . . .	3.30	
Atlantic Chemical Co.	. . . . .	34.88	
Pan American Union	. . . . .	.75	
Steinerts	. . . . .	5.25	
Harvard University Press	. . . . .	.75	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons	. . . . .	.76	794.40
<i>Amounts carried forward</i>		\$1,756.24	\$1,800.00

<i>Amounts brought forward . . . . .</i>	<b>\$1,756.24</b>	<b>\$1,800.00</b>
<b>Supplies—Manual Training:</b>		
Geo. J. Barker Lumber Co.,	\$130.25	
J. B. Hunter Co. . . . .	99.76	
Frost & Adams . . . . .	97.40	
Palmer & Parker Co. . . . .	37.41	
Philip E. Perry . . . . .	1.50	
Geo. H. Carter Co. . . . .	5.10	<b>371.42</b>
<b>Supplies—Domestic Science:</b>		
J. R. Roberts . . . . .	\$4.96	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons .	52.75	
Charles M. Eaton . . . . .	15.70	<b>73.41</b>
		<b>\$2,201.07</b>
Received from Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Board of Charity . . . . .		<b>429.89</b>
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	<b>28.82</b>	
	<b>\$2,229.89</b>	<b>\$2,229.89</b>
<b>TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS.</b>		
Appropriation . . . . .		<b>\$6,500.00</b>
<b>Transportation:</b>		
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	<b>\$4,430.00</b>	
J. R. Roberts . . . . .	266.00	
Howard C. Richardson . .	736.00	
Jesse Caunt . . . . .	874.00	<b>\$6,306.00</b>
<b>Monitors:</b>		
Effie A. Richardson . . .	\$84.00	
Helen G. Hill . . . . .	137.84	
Catherine Crawford . . . .	3.60	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	<b>\$225.44</b>	<b>\$6,306.00</b>
		<b>\$6,500.00</b>

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$225.44	\$6,306.00	\$6,500.00
Ella L. McNutt . . . . .	25.65		
Annie K. Jameson . . . . .	1.00		
Ellen E. Bartlett . . . . .	12.70		
Mildred Barton . . . . .	11.50		
Mrs. E. C. Parkhurst . . . .	5.60	281.89	
Transferred from Administration—Salaries . . . . .			33.75
Transferred from Janitors' Services . . . . .			54.14
		\$6,587.89	\$6,587.89

## JANITORS' SERVICES.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,600.00
Allan Cameron . . . . .	\$1,098.30	
John A. Cain, Jr. . . . .	120.00	
Mrs. Alfred Harris . . . . .	100.00	
Henry McArt . . . . .	100.00	
Murdock E. Cameron . . . .	58.00	
Raymond E. Lockwood . . . .	7.50	\$1,483.80
Transferred to Transportation . . . . .		54.14
Transferred to Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .		62.06
		\$1,600.00
		\$1,600.00

## FUEL AND LIGHT.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$4,760.00
Weston Coal Co., egg coal at \$7.60, \$10.00; nut at \$7.85, . . . . .	\$3,226.44	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$3,226.44	\$4,760.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$3,226.44		\$4,760.00
The Edison Electric Illumi- nating Co. . . . .	103.66		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons, weighing fees . . . . .	5.00		
Cherith M. Foote, hard wood at \$9.50 a cord; soft wood at \$6.50 a cord . . . . .	88.68	\$3,423.78	
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		1,336.22	
			\$4,760.00
			\$4,760.00

## MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$2,200.00	
<b>Janitors' Supplies:</b>			
Carter, Rice & Co., . . . . .	\$20.00		
Weston Hand Laundry . . . . .	2.34		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	71.98		
Henry McArt . . . . .	.25		
West Disinfecting Co. . . . .	126.40		
American Water Supply Co. . . . .	.59		
Massachusetts State Prison . . . . .	7.01	\$228.57	
Repairs:			
Arthur L. Hersum . . . . .	\$80.21		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	2.20		
F. C. Mulock, building coal bin, etc. . . . .	1,242.23		
M. E. Crouse . . . . .	8.71		
Henry McArt . . . . .	13.40		
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$1,346.75	\$228.57	\$2,200.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$1,346.75	\$228.57	\$2,200.00
Thomas W. Scott . . . . .	85.12		
Leroy E. Bazley, electric wiring . . . . .	205.45		
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, repairing blackboards . . .	15.00	1,652.32	
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## All other expenses:

Mrs. Alfred Harris . . . . .	\$37.00		
Weston Water Co. . . . .	264.31		
H. I. Dallman Co. . . . .	24.39		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	6.78		
De Grauw-Aymar & Co. . .	13.92		
Wm. J. Bartlett . . . . .	6.50		
Robert B. Johnson . . . . .	5.00		
New England Belgian Re- lief Fund . . . . .	15.00		
Geo. H. D. Lamson . . . .	8.00		
Warren F. Emerson . . . .	6.90		
Henry A. Wheeler & Co. . .	7.94		
Philip E. Perry . . . . .	2.10		
Gilbert M. Upham . . . . .	7.25		
M. Shain . . . . .	15.75		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . .	8.60	429.44	
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## Furniture and Furnishings:

Kenney Bros. & Wolkins . . . . .	75.69		
Transferred from Janitors' Service . . . . .		62.06	
Transferred from Other Expenses . . . . .		123.96	
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	\$2,386.02	\$2,386.02	

## OTHER EXPENSES.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$600.00
Edward Spaulding & Co.,		
insurance premium . . .	\$201.80	
Waltham Publishing Co. . .	7.00	
Ephraim L. Barry . . . .	46.62	
M. Steinert & Sons Co. . .	5.25	
Geo. Watson . . . . .	1.25	
John H. Tearle Co. . . .	3.25	
Bertram F. Allen . . . .	4.00	
Morgan's Art Store . . . .	2.00	
Weston Hand Laundry . .	2.59	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons .	4.10	
Sampson-Soch Co. . . . .	8.75	
P. J. McAuliffe . . . . .	36.25	
Paine Furniture Co. . . .	20.25	
Philip E. Perry . . . . .	4.19	
Charles M. Eaton . . . .	12.37	\$359.67
Transferred to Tuition . . . . .		50.00
Transferred to Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .		123.96
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		66.37
	\$600.00	\$600.00

## TUITION.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$340.00
City of Newton . . . . .		\$380.00
Town of Wellesley . . . . .		10.00
Transferred from Other Expenses . . .		50.00
	\$390.00	\$390.00
Total for Education . . . . .		\$33,686.17

**Libraries.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,300.00
Salaries and wages:	
Maude M. Pennock, librarian . . . . .	\$700.00
Marion H. Upham, assistant librarian . . . . .	103.50
Lydia M. Gore, librarian, Kendal Green Branch . . . . .	54.16
Melvin B. Sherman, janitor . . . . .	495.00
Melvin B. Sherman, dusting books . . . . .	20.00
Merril French, janitor . . . . .	45.00
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Fuel and light:	
The Edison Electric Illuminating Co. . . . .	\$263.40
Weston Coal Co., egg coal at \$7.60 and \$10.00 per ton; hard wood at \$10.80 per cord; soft wood at \$11.60 per cord . . . . .	228.67      492.07
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All other expenses:	
L. A. Wells, binding books, Weston M. E. Church, rent of vestry . . . . .	\$117.85      30.00
Geo. H. D. Lamson . . . . .	13.50
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	19.12
Edward Spaulding & Co. . . . .	83.16
Maude M. Pennock, postage, express, etc. . . . .	24.12
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$287.75      \$1,909.73      \$2,300.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$287.75	\$1,909.73	\$2,300.00
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	45.75		
Weston Water Co. . . . .	18.00		
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	.70		
Leroy E. Bazley . . . . .	3.87		
H. C. Richardson, carrying books to Kendal Green Branch . . . . .	39.00		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons, Boston <i>Transcript</i> . . .	9.00	404.07	
Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .			13.80
		\$2,313.80	\$2,313.80

### Recreation.

#### INSTRUCTION IN SWIMMING.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000.00
Salaries and wages:		
M. H. Pendergast . . . . .	\$72.00	
G. M. Palmer, Jr. . . . .	120.00	
Marion Wetherbee . . . . .	76.50	
Mrs. Frank W. Wetherbee, . . . . .	51.00	\$319.50

All other expenses:			
Farley Harvey & Co. . . . .	\$6.00		
John H. Pray & Sons Co. . . . .	2.13		
Arthur L. Hersum . . . . .	29.98		
Columbia Bathing Suit Co., . . . . .	13.88		
Weston Water Co. . . . .	75.82		
M. H. Pendergast . . . . .	1.40		
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$129.21	\$319.50	\$1,000.00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$129.21	\$319.50	\$1,000.00
The Edison Electric Illumi- nating Co. . . . .	7.60		
Weston Hand Laundry . .	111.13		
Marion Wetherbee . . .	2.70		
Benj. R. Parker . . . .	10.03		
F. C. Mulock . . . .	43.45		
Cammall Badge Co. . . .	9.48		
W. I. Cowlishaw . . . .	2.25		
Charles A. Freeman Mfg. Co. . . . .	4.00		
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons .	4.82		
E. W. Jennison . . . .	1.00	325.67	
			\$645.17
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		354.83	
			\$1,000.00
			\$1,000.00

**Unclassified.****MEMORIAL DAY.**

Appropriation . . . . .		\$150.00
Rev. Palfrey Perkins . . .	\$20.00	
D. A. Ives . . . . .	86.12	
F. G. Cooper . . . . .	4.50	
Jesse Caunt . . . . .	4.75	
H. C. Richardson . . . .	4.00	
Charles E. Boyd . . . .	5.00	
Clifford S. Cobb Co. . . .	10.80	\$135.17
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	14.83	
	\$150.00	\$150.00

## TOWN REPORT.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$1,000.00
Geo. H. Ellis Co., 800 copies of Report . . . . .	\$834.44	
Henry A. Wheeler, delivering Reports . . . . .	5.00	
Irene McAuliffe, delivering Reports . . . . .	10.00	
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons, ex- press . . . . .	5.10	
Alice E. Jones . . . . .	1.25	
Geo. H. Ellis Co., 550 copies Town Records . . . . .	61.00	\$916.79
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	83.21	
	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00

## ALL OTHERS.

Appropriation . . . . .		\$100.00
Joseph T. Ayer, care of town clock . . . . .	\$25.00	
Repairs to town clock . . . . .	.50	
Commonwealth of Mass. sol- diers' exemption . . . . .	62.45	
Dwight Heard, refund 1916 tax . . . . .	43.75	
Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .		31.70
	\$131.70	\$131.70

**Burial Grounds.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,500.00	
Interest on Perpetual Care Fund . . . . .	372.91	
Received from Cemetery Commissioners for care of lots . . . . .	386.50	
Received from Cemetery Commissioners, digging graves, etc. . . . .	198.75	
Salaries and wages:		
Frank G. Cooper, Superintendent . . . . .	\$1,125.00	
John Cameron, at \$2.75 per day . . . . .	644.52	
Frank H. Upham, at \$2.75 per day . . . . .	617.39	
John Millin, at \$3.00 per day . . . . .	75.00	\$2,461.91
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Horse hire:		
John Cameron, at \$1.50 per day . . . . .	\$228.00	
A. M. Upham, double team at \$7.00 per day . . . . .	70.00	298.00
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All other expenses:		
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., . . . . .	\$23.00	
Frank H. Upham . . . . .	1.50	
M. E. Crouse . . . . .	11.10	
J. Cushing & Co. . . . .	22.50	
Benj. R. Parker . . . . .	57.09	
Weston Coal Co. . . . .	10.23	
A. M. Davenport . . . . .	40.20	
A. M. Upham . . . . .	74.38	
Henry A. Wheeler & Co. . . . .	25.00	
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<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$265.00	\$2,759.91
		\$3,458.16

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$265.00	\$2,759.91	\$3,458.16
Geo. W. Cutting & Sons . . . . .	35.12		
Weston Water Co. . . . .	23.15		
Frank G. Cooper . . . . .	35.61		
Ralph Jones . . . . .	5.25		
Geo. H. D. Lamson . . . . .	192.00		
Massachusetts Broken Stone Co. . . . .	80.00	636.13	
			\$3,396.04
Transferred to Revenue . . . . .		62.12	
			\$3,458.16
			\$3,458.16

### Town Common.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$15,021.70
Appropriation . . . . .	20,000.00
Arthur A. Shurtleff, landscape architect . . . . .	\$808.63
Weston Water Co., extend- ing pipe line to New Town Hall . . . . .	564.96
Joseph F. and Geo. H. D. Lamson, land takings . . .	20,293.09
Geo. W. Cutting, land tak- ings . . . . .	5,500.00
Leighton, Mitchell Co., grad- ing around New Town Hall . . . . .	4,955.74
Geo. W. Cutting, Jr., civil engineer . . . . .	20.00
<i>Amounts carried forward, \$32,142.42</i>	<i>\$35,021.70</i>

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$32,142.42	\$35,021.70
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, furnishings for New Town Hall . . . . .	484.36	
Estate of Henry J. Jennison .	250.00	
Jordan Marsh Company, furniture, mats, etc. . . . .	85.68	
Geo. D. Burrage . . . . .	77.29	
Rackerman and Brewster . .	45.00	
Choate, Hall and Stewart .	425.00	\$33,509.75
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Balance unexpended January 1, 1918 . . . . .	1,511.95	
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	\$35,021.70	\$35,021.70

### Abolition of Grade Crossing.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$495.10
Balance January 1, 1918 . . . . .	\$495.10
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	\$495.10
	\$495.10

### Interest.

Appropriation . . . . .	\$3,500.00
Transferred from Reserve Fund . . . . .	454.85
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Old Colony Trust Co., interest on Fire-engine House bonds . . . .	\$500.00
Old Colony Trust Co., interest on Town Hall bonds . . . . .	2,440.00
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<i>Amounts carried forward.</i> . . . . .	\$2,940.00
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	\$3,954.85

<i>Amounts brought forward . . . . .</i>	\$2,940.00	\$3,954.85
Merrill, Oldham & Co., interest on Town Hall bonds . . . . .	125.33	
Boston Safe Deposit & Trust Co., interest on temporary loan . . . . .	889.52	
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	\$3,954.85	\$3,954.85

### Reserve Fund.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$50.96
Appropriation . . . . .	2,000.00
Transferred to:	
Health Department . . . . .	\$243.53
Interest . . . . .	454.85
Inspection of Animals and Dressed Meats . . . . .	95.54
Moth Extermination . . . . .	205.54
Police Department . . . . .	340.16
Law . . . . .	48.34
Unclassified . . . . .	31.70
Library Incidentals . . . . .	13.80
Highways—General Repairs . . . . .	106.21
Snow and Ice . . . . .	144.26
Balance of Overlays, 1914 . . . . .	734.35
Balance of Overlays, 1915 . . . . .	417.70
Balance January 1, 1918 . . . . .	1,519.08
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	\$3,203.01
	\$3,203.01

**Town Debt.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$25,000.00
Merrill, Oldham & Co., Town	
Hall bonds purchased as	
follows:	
Due March 1, 1919 . . . . .	\$2,014.60
"      " 1, 1920 . . . . .	3,033.00
"      " 1, 1921 . . . . .	3,043.50
"      " 1, 1922 . . . . .	2,035.80
"      " 1, 1923 . . . . .	2,042.20
"      " 1, 1924 . . . . .	4,097.20
"      " 1, 1928 . . . . .	2,071.60
"      " 1, 1929 . . . . .	4,154.00
"      " 1, 1930 . . . . .	2,082.00
Commission 0.5 % . . . . .	120.00
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Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	306.10
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	\$25,000.00
	\$25,000.00

**War Appropriation.**

Appropriation . . . . .	\$500.00
Weston Water Co. . . . .	\$10.30
Geo. H. Ellis Co. . . . .	1.75
Nathan Sawyer & Son . . . . .	1.50
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Transferred to Revenue . . . . .	486.45
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	\$500.00
	\$500.00

**Balance Sheet, December 31, 1917.****REVENUE ACCOUNTS.****ASSET ACCOUNTS.**

Cash in banks and office . . . . .		\$25,477.18
Taxes, 1916 . . . . .	\$24,905.03	
Less collections to date (including abatements) . . . . .	22,734.34	2,170.69
Taxes, 1917 . . . . .	\$63,742.56	
Less collections to date (including abatements) . . . . .	55,718.68	8,023.88
Moth Assessment, 1916 . . . . .	\$118.83	
Less collections to date . . . . .	69.03	49.80
Moth Assessment, 1917 . . . . .	\$2,479.95	
Less collections to date . . . . .	2,400.95	79.00
		\$35,800.55

**LIABILITY ACCOUNTS.**

Appropriations . . . . .	\$153,380.00	
Unexpended balances January 1, 1917 . . . . .	57,807.92	
Receipts credited to departments:		
Interest on Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund, . . . . .	372.91	
Burial-grounds, care of lots, etc. . . . .	585.25	
Support of Poor (refund) . . . . .	32.00	
Reserve Fund (overlays) . . . . .	1,152.05	
Schools—State Board of Charity . . . . .	429.89	
	\$213,760.02	
Less expenses . . . . .	\$204,399.04	
Less unexpended balances transferred to Revenue . . . . .	5,334.85	209,733.89
		\$4,026.13
Unexpended balances:		
Library income for books and periodicals . . . . .	\$684.11	
Park Fund . . . . .	1,323.23	2,007.34
Overlays 1916, reserved for abatements . . . . .	\$2,991.19	
Less abatements . . . . .	278.05	2,713.14
Overlays 1917, reserved for abatements . . . . .	\$2,391.76	
Less abatements . . . . .	310.63	2,081.13
Loan in anticipation of revenue . . . . .		15,000.00
Surplus January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$65,137.64	
Surplus Revenue, 1917 . . . . .	5,635.17	\$70,772.81
Less appropriations . . . . .	60,800.00	9,972.81
		\$35,800.55

## NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS.

## ASSET ACCOUNTS.

Net Bonded Debt, to balance account . . . . .	\$59,000.00
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## LIABILITY ACCOUNTS.

Fire-engine House Loan . . . . .	\$13,000.00
Less bond paid . . . . .	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$12,000.00
Town Hall Loan . . . . .	\$75,000.00
Less bonds paid . . . . .	\$4,000.00
Less bonds purchased . . . . .	<u>24,000.00</u>
	28,000.00
	<u>47,000.00</u>
	\$59,000.00

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT FUNDS.

Cash and securities, January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$37,985.71
Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund . . . . .	\$350.00
Burial-grounds, Sale of Lots Fund . . . . .	<u>281.82</u>
	631.82
	<u>\$38,617.53</u>
Library Fund . . . . .	\$15,993.86
Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund . . . . .	9,457.50
Burial-grounds, Sale of Lots Fund . . . . .	5,471.09
Merriam Fund . . . . .	<u>7,695.08</u>
	\$38,617.53

## PARK FUND.

Balance January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$1,197.43
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## RECEIPTS.

E. Jennings, rent of land . . . . .	\$100.00
Interest on deposit . . . . .	<u>25.80</u>
	125.80
	<u>\$1,323.23</u>

## PAYMENTS.

Balance January 1, 1918 . . . . .	\$1,323.23
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### Account of Taxes and Moth Assessments.

Description.	Amount.	Abatements.	Amount Collected during Year.	Amount Uncollected Jan. 1, 1918.
1914. Uncollected January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$146.80	\$13.50	\$133.30	—
1915. Uncollected January 1, 1917 . . . . .	1,802.97	109.94	1,693.03	—
Moth Assessment . . . . .	5.68	—	5.68	—
1916. Uncollected January 1, 1917 . . . . .	24,905.03	278.05	22,456.29	\$2,170.69
Moth Assessment . . . . .	118.83	—	69.03	49.80
1917. Warrant . . . . .	63,707.76	310.63	55,408.05	8,023.88
December Assessment, Moth Assessment . . . . .	134.80 2,479.95	—	2,400.95	79.00
	<b>\$93,201.82</b>	<b>\$712.12</b>	<b>\$82,166.33</b>	<b>\$10,323.37</b>

### Debt Statement.

SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING INDEBTEDNESS, JANUARY 1, 1918, ALSO AMOUNTS DUE FOR PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST DURING THE YEAR 1918.

Purpose for which loan was made.	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1917.	Paid during 1917.	Outstanding Jan. 1, 1918.	Principal due in 1918.	Interest due in 1918.
Fire-engine House, 4% . . . . .	\$13,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$460.00
Town Hall, 4% . . . . .	75,000.00	28,000.00	47,000.00	4,000.00	1,800.00
	<b>\$88,000.00</b>	<b>\$29,000.00</b>	<b>\$59,000.00</b>	<b>\$5,000.00</b>	<b>\$2,260.00</b>

WALTER E. WHEELER,  
*Auditor.*

DECEMBER 31, 1917.

Dr.

## Report of Treasurer and Collector.

## RECEIPTS.

General Revenue, Arthur E. Upham, Collector:			
Taxes, 1914 . . . . .	\$133.30		
Taxes, 1915 . . . . .	1,693.03		
Taxes, 1916 . . . . .	22,456.29		
Taxes, 1917 . . . . .	55,408.05		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:			
Metropolitan Water Fund, in lieu of Taxes . . . . .	311.77	\$80,002.44	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:			
Corporation Tax, Public Service, 1917 . . . . .	\$6,496.09		
Corporation Tax, Business, 1917 . . . . .	439.83		
Income Tax, 1917 . . . . .	55,424.68		
National Bank Tax, 1917 . . . . .	3,344.09	65,704.69	
Licenses:			
Junk . . . . .	\$70.00		
Express . . . . .	4.00		
Milk . . . . .	5.50	79.50	
Fines:			
Second District Court, Eastern Middlesex . . . . .	5.00		
Grants and Gifts:			
County Treasurer, Dog Tax, 1916 . . . . .	338.56	\$146,130.19	
Commercial Revenue, Arthur E. Upham, Collector:			
Moth Assessment, 1915 . . . . .	\$5.68		
Moth Assessment, 1916 . . . . .	69.03		
Moth Assessment, 1917 . . . . .	2,400.95	\$2,475.66	
Departmental Revenue, Selectmen:			
A. L. Cutting, wood sold I. Lovewell . . . . .	\$4.00		
A. L. Cutting, row-boat sold F. W. Young . . . . .	12.00		
A. L. Cutting, for carbic cakes sold F. H. Upham . . . . .	2.25		
B. L. Young for deed from Mrs. J. B. Case . . . . .	1.00	19.25	
Auditor:			
W. E. Wheeler, telephone tolls . . . . .	3.71		
Treasurer:			
Tax inquiries . . . . .	\$8.00		
Telephone tolls . . . . .	2.50	10.50	
Town Hall:			
M. B. Sherman, Janitor, rent . . . . .	371.50		
Fire:			
B. R. Parker, sale of old junk . . . . .	62.70		
Charities:			
Poor Department:			
Balance of receipts over expenditures for year			
1916 . . . . .	\$59.10		
Town of Bourne, board, 1916 . . . . .	38.00		
Town of Bourne, board, 1917 . . . . .	72.00		
Geo. W. Henderson, rent Town Farm, 1917 . . . . .	300.00	469.10	
Soldiers' Benefits:			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Aid . . . . .	192.00		
Education:			
Philip E. Perry, sale of old planes . . . . .	\$7.00		
Mrs. F. W. Steadman, tuition . . . . .	10.00		
Mrs. C. J. C. Tatnall, tuition . . . . .	10.00		
C. M. Eaton, books sold, \$12.10; telephone tolls, \$8.83	20.93		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, account educational and industrial schools . . . . .	175.00		
Account tuition of children . . . . .	429.89	652.82	
Libraries:			
Maude M. Pennock, fines . . . . .	113.00		
Amounts carried forward . . . . .		\$4,370.24	\$146,130.19

<i>Amounts brought forward</i>			\$4,370.24	\$146,130.19
Recreation:				
Edw'd B. Field, Swimming-pool receipts	\$1.44			
Edward Jennings, rent park land, 1916	100.00		101.44	
Unclassified:				
Geo. Faber, sale of old paper	\$11.70			
C. M. Eaton, telephone use, canning kitchen	4.60			
E. P. Ripley, on account sale of wood from town lot to Edward Jennings	50.00			
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Metropolitan Park Trust Fund	22.06		88.36	
Public Service:				
G. W. Brodrick, weighing fees, Kendal Green, 1916,	\$15.75			
G. W. Cutting & Sons, weighing fees, Weston, 1916,	29.75		45.50	4,605.54
Cemeteries:				
Cemetery Commissioners from sale of lots	\$73.00			
Cemetery Commissioners from care of lots, etc.	585.25		658.25	
Interest:				
On deposits	\$1,488.35			
On deferred taxes	410.74			
On deferred Moth Assessments	2.78			
On Burial-grounds, Sale of Lots Fund	208.82			
On Burial-grounds, Perpetual Care Fund	372.91			
On Library Funds	737.05			
On Park Fund	25.80		3,246.45	
Municipal Indebtedness:				
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co., loans in anticipation of revenue	50,000.00			
Agency, Trust, and Investment:				
Trust:				
Cemetery Commissioners, Perpetual Care Fund	350.00			
Refunds:				
Fitchburg Mutual Insurance Co., return premium	\$6.60			
Overseers of Poor, check issued in error	32.00			
Frost & Adams	17.55		56.15	
			\$205,046.58	
Balances January 1, 1917:				
General	\$101,425.43			
Library	555.92			
Park	1,197.43		103,178.78	
			\$308,225.36	

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## PAYMENTS.

Departmental Expenses:				
Treasury Warrants	\$179,705.14			
Retiring New Town Hall Bonds, Merrill, Oldham & Co.	24,693.90			
Total charges against appropriations			\$204,399.04	
Highways:				
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, repairs of State Highways	953.60			
Libraries:				
Books, periodicals, etc., as per report of Library Treasurer	1,060.42			
Recreation:				
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:				
Maintenance of Charles River Basin	\$628.22			
Maintenance Metropolitan Parks	2,425.67		3,053.89	
Municipal Indebtedness and Interest:				
Municipal Indebtedness:				
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:				
Charles River Basin	\$41.40			
Metropolitan Park	492.95			
Charles River Bridge	600.00			
Boston Safe Deposit and Trust Co., Loans	35,000.00			
Old Colony Trust Co., Fire-engine House Bond	1,000.00			
Old Colony Trust Co., New Town Hall Bond	4,000.00		41,134.35	
Amount carried forward			\$250,601.30	

<i>Amount brought forward . . . . .</i>		\$250,601.30
<b>Interest:</b>		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:		
Charles River Basin . . . . .	\$475.46	
Charles River Bridge . . . . .	188.00	
Metropolitan Parks . . . . .	1,835.85	2,499.31
<b>Agency, Trust, and Investment:</b>		
<b>Agency:</b>		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, State Tax . . . . .	\$19,910.00	
County of Middlesex, County Tax . . . . .	9,105.75	29,015.75
<b>Trust:</b>		
Burial-grounds Perpetual Care Fund:		
Cash received from Cemetery Commissioners added to Fund . . . . .		350.00
<b>Investment:</b>		
Burial-grounds, Sale of Lots Fund:		
Cash received from Cemetery Commissioners added to Fund . . . . .	\$73.00	
Interest on Savings Bank Deposits added to Fund . . . . .	208.82	281.82
		\$282,748.18
<b>Balances December 31, 1917:</b>		
General . . . . .	\$23,469.84	
Library . . . . .	684.11	
Park . . . . .	1,323.23	25,477.18
		\$308,225.36

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

ARTHUR E. UPHAM,  
*Treasurer.*

## REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WESTON PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Dr.

Balance in Treasury, January 1, 1917 . . . . . \$555.92

### Receipts:

Library Fines . . . . .	\$113.00
Town Treasurer, Dog Tax, 1916 . . .	338.56
Interest:	
On National Bank Deposit . . . . .	15.95
On Savings Bank Deposit . . . . .	173.35
On Library Bonds . . . . .	465.00
On Library Stocks . . . . .	82.75
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	\$1,744.53

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### **Payments:**

Chas. E. Lauriat Co.		\$1,019.62
H. W. Wilson Co.		16.00
National Association for providing em- ployment for Cured Tubercular	1.50	
National Service	3.00	
Albert H. Heussar	1.85	
Library Art Club	6.00	
Edna B. Holman	1.25	
Puritan Linotype	4.00	
W. B. Clarke Co.	7.20	\$1,060.42
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Balance December 31, 1917		684.11
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		\$1,744.53

ARTHUR E. UPHAM,  
*Treasurer.*

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE MERRIAM FUND FOR THE SILENT POOR.**

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*Dr.*

Balance in Treasury, January 1, 1917 . . . . .	\$636.32
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Receipts:

Interest on Savings Banks Deposits . . . . .	\$140.67
Interest on National Bank Deposit . . . . .	12.20
Interest on Bonds . . . . .	125.00
Dividends on Stocks . . . . .	82.75
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	360.62
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	\$996.94

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Payments:

Trustees' Orders . . . . .	\$327.77
Balance in Treasury December 31, 1917 . . . . .	669.17
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	\$996.94

The Merriam Fund now consists of cash and securities as follows:

West Newton Savings Bank Deposit . . . . .	\$1,000.00
Newton Savings Bank Deposit . . . . .	658.68
Cambridgeport Savings Bank Deposit . . . . .	650.00
Warren Institution for Savings Deposit . . . . .	233.40
American Telephone & Telegraph Co., Bonds . . . . .	2,500.00
U. S. Liberty Loan 4 per cent. Bond . . . . .	1,000.00
Boston & Albany R.R. Co., 5 shares Stock . . . . .	885.00
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford R.R. Co., 2 shares Stock . . . . .	113.00
Old Colony R.R. Co., 2 shares Stock . . . . .	280.00
Fitchburg R.R. Co., Preferred, 5 shares Stock . . . . .	375.00
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	\$7,695.08

ARTHUR E. UPHAM,

WESTON, December 31, 1917.

*Treasurer.*

## FINAL REPORT OF THE TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

(As submitted to and accepted by the Town, at a special meeting held October 18, 1917.)

The Town Improvement Committee appointed under Article 5 of the warrant for the special town meeting held February 15, 1916 (see Town Reports 1916, page 295), made a preliminary report at the annual town meeting held March 26, 1917 (see Town Reports 1916, pages 34 to 38). Since that report the Committee has held meetings as often as needs of the work in connection with the Town Hall required and has consulted with the architects and engineers and kept in touch with the construction of the building.

The building was not completed as early as your Committee anticipated, as, while the general contractor substantially finished his work in the late spring, the completion of the building as a whole was delayed until about the middle of the summer by delay in the extension of the electric power to the hall and in the delivery of the electric motors connected with the heating and ventilating apparatus and the electric fixtures. As these delays were largely due to transportation conditions and abnormal business conditions respecting electrical equipment, the Committee felt that the contractors were not at fault in reference to the delay. The architects accepted the work of the general contractors and certified that the work had been completed in accordance with the contract on June 15. The plumbing contractors' work was finished and their work certified as completed by the architects, on June 5. The heating and ventilating work was certified by the engineers as completed on August 9, and the work on the final contract, that of the Lord Electric Company, was accepted

by the architects and certified as completed upon August 14. In all cases payment of the balance due on the contract was retained until sixty-five days after the completion of the contract, except so far as this requirement was waived by the surety companies.

On September 28, 1917, your Committee held a meeting with the Selectmen, and, after inspection of the building, the following vote was passed:—

*"Voted:* Whereas the architects of the building and the heating engineers have certified that all the work done under the contracts for the erection of the building has been completed and accepted by them and whereas the committee has inspected the building, it is voted that the committee accept the reports of the architects and engineers and tender to and transfer to the Selectmen the care and custody of the building."

On October 1 the Selectmen at a meeting voted to accept the care and custody of the Town Hall.

Appended hereto is a statement of all charges incurred by your Committee in connection with the erection of the Town Hall. This shows an expenditure of \$94,992.75, and thus completes the erection of the building with all bills paid within the original appropriation of \$95,000. Your Committee feels that it has completed its work in accordance with the vote under which it was created and asks that this report be accepted and the Committee discharged.

## CONTRACTS AND CHARGES.

## Leighton-Mitchell Co.:

General contract . . . . .	\$71,666.00
Extras . . . . .	156.00
Surface drain . . . . .	285.00
Blasting . . . . .	632.71
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## Credits:

Contract allowances . . . . .	\$2,625.00
Changes in plans . . . . .	45.00
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	\$70,069.71

## Lord Electric Co.:

Wiring contract . . . . .	\$2,360.00
Extras . . . . .	38.75
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R. H. James & Co., plumbing and vacuum cleaner contract . . . . .	3,526.00
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## T. A. Ridder &amp; Co.:

Heating and ventilating contract . . . . .	\$8,250.00
Extras . . . . .	44.98
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Champion Metal Weather Strip Co., contract . . . . .	160.00
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## J. B. Hunter Co.:

Hardware . . . . .	\$1,500.00
Lockup cells . . . . .	565.00
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Herring-Hall-Marvin Co., vault doors . . . . .	336.00
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H. W. Johns-Manville Co., asbestos curtain . . . . .	173.00
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D. Eddy & Sons Co., refrigerator . . . . .	42.00
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## Sewage System:

Weston & Sampson, Engineers . . . . .	\$201.96
Yeomans Bros., electric pump . . . . .	485.00
Leighton-Mitchell, cesspool and piping . . . . .	766.50
Lord Electric Co., wiring . . . . .	56.00
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Edward Spaulding & Co., insurance . . . . .	280.00
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Arthur A. Shurtleff, Architect . . . . .	303.86
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Bigelow & Wadsworth, commissions and expenses . . . . .	5,321.63
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Densmore & LeClear, commissions . . . . .	487.36
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George W. Cutting, Jr., engineering services . . . . .	25.00
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Total . . . . .	\$94,992.75
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Burnett, F. H.	Little Lord Fauntleroy.	J B 93 l 1
Canfield, D. F. ( <i>Mrs. J. R. Fisher.</i> )	Understood Betsy.	J C 163
Carter, E. H.	Christmas candles, plays for boys and girls.	J 812 C 24
Cather, K. D.	Boyhood stories of famous men.	J 927 C 28
Cheley, F. H.	The boy scout trail blazers.	J C 41
Clemens, S. L.	Adventures of Huckleberry Finn.	J C 59 a c-3
Corcoran, Brewer.	The barbarian; or, Will Bradford's school days at St. Jo's.	J C 813
Cory, David.	Further adventures of Puss in Boots, Jr.	J C 817 f
Cowles, J. D.	Our little Saxon cousin of long ago.	J C 832 s
Craik, D. M.	Adventures of a brownie.	J C 844
Curtis, A. T.	A little maid of Bunker Hill.	J C 942 b
	A little maid of Ticonderoga.	J C 942 t
	Miss Ann and Jimmy.	J C 942 m
Darling, E. B.	Baldy of Nome.	J D 242
Deland, E. D.	Miss Betty of New York.	J D 37 m 1
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Dix, B. M.	Blithe McBride.	J D 64 b
* Dodgson, C. L.	Through the looking glass.	J D 664 t c-3
Dow, E. C.	The diary of a birthday doll.	J D 752
Ellis, E. S.	Deerfoot on the prairies.	J El 5 d 1
Fitzhugh, P. K.	Uncle Sam's outdoor magic; Bobby Cullen with the reclamation workers.	J F 57 u
Forbes, E. E., <i>comp.</i>	Favourites of a nursery of seventy years ago.	J 811 F 74
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Gaines, R. L.	Treasure Flower, a child of Japan.	J G 12

Gask, Lilian.	The hundred best animals.	J 596 G 21
Greene, Homer.	The Flag.	J G 83 f
Groot, Cornelia de.	When I was a girl in Holland.	J G 89
Grosvenor, Johnston.	Strange stories of the great valley; the adventures of a boy pioneer.	J G 913
Grover, E. O.	The folk-lore readers. Book one.	J G 91 f
Hall, A. N.	Boy craftsman.	J 790 H 14
Hall, M. L., and Palmer, S. E.	Story plays for little children, with music, finger plays and rhythms.	J 812 H 14
Halsey, R. I.	Blue Robin, the girl pioneer.	J H 16
Harris, J. C.	Uncle Remus.	J H 24
* Hawthorne, Nathaniel.	A wonder book.	J H 31 w c-2
Hunt, C. W.	About Harriet.	J H 91
Irving, Washington.	The child's Rip Van Winkle.	J Ir 8
Ives, S. N.	The key to Betsy's heart.	J Iv 3
John Martin's Book.	Vol. 14.	J 051 J 61
Johnson, Clifton, ed.	Oak-tree fairy book.	J J 62
Kingsley, Charles.	Water babies.	J K 598
Knipe, E. B., and Knipe, A. A.	The lost little lady. A maid of old Manhattan.	J K 74 l 1 J K 74 p 1
Polly Trotter, patriot.		
Kueller, Jo van A.	A young lion of Flanders.	J K 95
Lange, Dietrich.	Lure of the Black Hills. The lure of the Mississippi.	J L 26 l 1 J L 26 l 2
Lothrop, H. M.	Phronsie Pepper.	J L 91 p
Lynn, Escott.	In khaki for the king.	J L 99
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Mathiews, F. K., ed.	The boy scouts year book.	J 369 M 42
Moon, F. F.	The book of forestry.	J 634 M 77
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Nelson, Horatio, viscount.	Southern, Robert. Life of Nelson.	J B N 33
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Perkins, L. F.	The Belgian twins.	J P 41 b
Pier, A. S.	The Plattsburgers.	J P 612 p
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# **ASSESSORS' VALUATION LIST**

**APRIL 1, 1917**

NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF PERSONS  
ASSESSED.

Name.	Street.	Average Value of Personal Estate.	Total Tax on Personal Estate.	Number of Acres of Land.	Value of Exclusive Buildings.	Value of Land Ex- cluding Buildings.	Number of Feet.	Value of Land Ex- cluding Buildings.	Average Value of Real Estate.	Total Tax on Real Estate.	Total Cash Tax on Personal Estate and Real Estate.
Abbott, Edward . . . . .	Glen Road . . . . .	\$150	\$1.88	—	—	—	—	—	\$200	\$2.50	\$4.38
Adams, Joseph P. . . . .	Winter Hill Road . . . . .	150	1.88	—	—	8,712	300	1,100	13.75	15.63	
Adams, Warren P., Jr. . . . .	Silver Hill Road . . . . .	—	—	2.50	4,500	34,412	350	4,850	60.62	60.62	
Albee, Kenneth F. . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	200	—	—	9,000	—	—	—	—	—	2.50
André, Gerda E. . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	1	42,688	1,500	10,500	131.25
Andrén, Karl . . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	200	—	2.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	131.25
Anthes, Alice . . . . .	Concord Road . . . . .	510	6.38	—	3,200	33	—	17,424	2,500	5,700	71.25
Ayer, Alice H. . . . .	North Ave. . . . .	—	—	—	2,500	1	—	—	400	2,900	77.63
Ayers, Joseph T. . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	—	—	—	—	—	—	10,890	200	200	2.50
Bailey, Harry L. . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	2,000	25.00	7,500	1	30,056	1	1,500	9,000	9,000	112.50
Baker, Ella . . . . .	Conant Road . . . . .	—	—	3,800	43	16,988	43	4,300	8,100	8,100	101.25
Baker, Walter . . . . .	Conant Road . . . . .	1,350	16.87	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	101.25
Barker, Amri . . . . .	Chestnut . . . . .	200	—	2.50	2,000	9	30,492	1,000	—	—	16.87
Bartlett, William J. . . . .	Warren Ave. . . . .	450	5.63	—	1,400	5	5,662	1,400	—	—	40.00
Bartlett, William M. . . . .	Silver Hill Road . . . . .	—	—	—	1,000	1	8,712	500	2,800	3,000	37.50
Barton, James . . . . .	Newton . . . . .	925	11.56	—	2,100	16	—	—	—	—	40.63
Bassett, Thomas H. . . . .	Conant Road . . . . .	355	4.43	—	2,100	—	21,780	300	2,400	2,400	18.75
Batchelder, F. Winthrop . . . . .	Wellesley . . . . .	2,000	25.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	67.81
Battersby, Minnie . . . . .	Bogle . . . . .	—	—	1,200	—	4	—	400	4,500	4,500	34.43
Beebe, Alice Waters . . . . .	Conant Road . . . . .	1,000	12.50	—	6,500	1	21,780	1,200	—	—	25.00
Beebe, F. Russell . . . . .	Conant Road . . . . .	300	3.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20.00
Bennis, Emery L., Heirs, Minnie Heard, et al. . . . .	North Ave. . . . .	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	300	300	3.75
Bennett, Mary . . . . .	South Ave. . . . .	—	—	2,100	1	32,234	600	2,700	—	—	33.75
Bennett, Samuel C. . . . .	—	2,270	28.38	9,100	6	8,276	3,500	12,600	157.50	157.50	185.88



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Name.			
Average Value of Personal Estate.		Total Tax on Personal Estate.	Value of Buildings and Land.
Average Value of Real Estate.		Total Tax on Real Estate.	Value of Land Exclusive of Buildings.
Number of Acres of Land.		Number of Feet.	Value of Land Exclusive of Buildings.
Acres of Land.		Acres of Land Exclusive of Buildings.	Acres of Land Exclusive of Buildings.
Total Tax on Personal Estate.		Total Tax on Real Estate.	Total Tax on Real Estate.
NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF PERSONS ASSESSED.			
Brown, Jesse . . . . .	Brown . . . . .	\$450	\$5.63
Chase, Caroline E. . . . .	Glen Road . . . . .	4,510	56.38
Chase, William M. . . . .	Glen Road . . . . .	1,000	12.50
Chisholm, Richard R. . . . .	Merriam . . . . .	—	1,400
Clark, Cyrus . . . . .	Golden Ball Rd. . . . .	1,900	23.75
Clarke, Maria J. . . . .	Hill Top Road . . . . .	—	12,000
Clifford, Paul . . . . .	Central Ave. . . . .	—	8,600
Coburn, Albert E. . . . .	Church . . . . .	100	1.25
Coburn, Arthur L. . . . .	Church . . . . .	1,872	23.40
Coburn, Edward, Estate, Raymond Coburn, Executor . . . . .	Ash . . . . .	—	1.62
Coburn, Elizabeth S. and Elizabeth S. and Emily F. . . . .	Ash . . . . .	130	—
Coburn, Emily F. . . . .	Ash . . . . .	—	1.44
Coburn, Florence M. . . . .	Church . . . . .	—	—
Coburn, Maude F., Admrx. . . . .	Church . . . . .	—	—
Coburn, Raymond W. . . . .	North Ave. . . . .	350	4.37
Coburn, Thomas E., Estate, Raymond Coburn, Ad'mr . . . . .	North Ave. . . . .	3,240	40.50
Compton, Edward A. . . . .	Warren Ave. . . . .	—	—
Connelly, Michael, Heirs . . . . .	Summer . . . . .	—	—
Connolly, Patrick . . . . .	Loring . . . . .	125	1.56
Connors, Patrick . . . . .	Wellesley . . . . .	—	—
Convey, Katherine B. . . . .	Crescent . . . . .	—	—
Convey, Anna L. & Minnie A. Clark . . . . .	Silver Hill Road . . . . .	400	16,117
Total Cash and Personal Estate.			
Total Tax on Personal Estate.			
Total Tax on Real Estate.			
Total Tax on Real Estate.			



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Donald, Gordon .....	Ox Bow Road .....	\$4,720	\$59.00	\$1,900 2.50	—	21,780	\$1,100 2,500	—	\$3,000 3,000	\$37.50 37.50	\$59.00
Dooley, Edward .....	South Ave.....	200	—	2,500	7	28,314	—	—	—	40.00	40.00
Douglas, Crawley .....	Westland Ave.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	37.50	37.50
Downs, Walter A.....	Merriam .....	200	2.50	—	—	11,325	400	1,900	23,75	23,75	2.50
Doyle, George W.....	Park Road.....	—	—	1,500	—	—	—	—	—	12.50	12.50
Doyle, John .....	Lincoln.....	—	—	700	1	—	300	1,000	2,000	25.00	25.00
Driscoll, Aleta B.....	Highland.....	—	—	1,700	—	10,890	—	300	2,000	86.25	88.75
Driver, Andrew B.....	Central Ave.....	200	2.50	1,900	25	—	5,000	6,900	6,900	126.25	159.06
Dudley, Alvin L.....	North Ave.....	2,625	32.81	3,250	59	24,829	6,850	10,100	10,100	37.50	37.50
Dunn, Kate.....	Maple Road.....	—	—	2,200	1	10,890	800	3,000	3,000	—	—
Dwight, Sally P.....	Estate, Samuel Vaughn, Adm'r .....	4,500	56.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.25	56.25
Eldridge, Dennis J.....	Merriam.....	200	2.50	1,700	21	10,890	2,400	4,100	4,100	51.25	53.75
Eliot, Alice B.....	Church.....	100	1.25	7,500	6	21,780	2,500	10,000	10,000	125.00	126.25
Ellis, John D., Heirs, Charles Ellis, <i>et al.</i> .....	Central Ave.....	—	—	—	10	4,791	1,000	1,000	1,000	12.50	12.50
Emerson, George W. D.....	Central Ave.....	125	1.56	300	68	—	7,000	7,300	7,300	91.25	92.81
Endicott, Henry .....	Central Ave.....	217	2.72	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.72
Endicott, Katherine .....	Central Ave.....	100	1.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.25
Faber, George .....	North Ave.....	—	—	950	1	—	—	300	1,250	15.62	15.62
Faber, Thomas .....	North Ave.....	—	—	1,000	—	—	—	250	1,250	15.62	15.62
Fallon, John W.....	South Ave.....	—	—	6,700	—	20,908	—	800	7,500	93.75	93.75
Farley, Marian A. T.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	7,000	26	—	9,000	16,000	16,000	200.00	200.00
Farley, William T.....	Central Ave.....	7,000	87.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	87.50
Farlow, Edith M.....	Love Lane.....	—	—	7,500	3	—	2,000	9,500	9,500	118.75	118.75

Farlow, John S. ....	Love Lane.....	20.00	—	5	19,166	3,000	37.50	57.50
Fellows, Arthur P. ....	North Ave.....	8.75	—	—	—	—	8.75	8.75
Field, Edward B. ....	Central Ave....	700	10.78	—	—	—	10.78	10.78
Field, Edward B., Guardian.	185	2.31	—	—	—	—	2.31	2.31
Field, Edward B., Trustee....	—	—	—	1	20,473	500	6.25	6.25
Field, Joseph, Heirs, Edw. B.	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Field, <i>et al.</i> ....	Church.....	5,560	—	9,000	23	32,670	4,500	168.75
Filene, A. Lincoln.	Church.....	2,500	31.25	23,800	40	10,454	12,000	69.50
Filene, Therese W. ....	Central Ave....	—	—	1,800	1	4,356	500	478.75
First Baptist Church	Concord Road..	4,265	53.31	9,500	13	10,890	5,500	28.75
Fiske, Andrew. ....	—	—	—	—	—	—	187.50	240.81
Fiske, A. H., Heirs, Chas.	—	—	—	8,000	133	871	20,600	28,600
Fiske, <i>et al.</i> ....	Conant Road	—	1.56	—	—	—	—	357.50
Fiske, Charles D. ....	Church.....	1,510	18.88	10,000	14	30,492	5,000	1.56
Fiske, Charles H. ....	Church.....	1,160	14.50	4,500	55	—	15,000	206.38
Fiske, Charles H., Jr.	Central Ave....	650	8.13	—	—	—	8,500	106.25
Fiske, Edward. ....	Conant Road	—	—	2,000	4	41,382	400	120.75
Fiske, Ella. ....	Concord Road	500	6.25	—	—	—	—	8.13
Fiske, Gardiner H. ....	Concord Road	175	2.19	—	—	—	—	—
Fiske, Gertrude. ....	Concord Road	685	8.57	15,000	43	—	—	—
Fiske, Mary E. ....	Concord Road	500	6.25	—	—	—	—	—
Fiske, Mary D. ....	Church.....	525	6.57	22,000	27	—	9,600	30.00
Fiske, Susan H. ....	Central Ave....	100	1.25	—	—	—	—	30.00
Fiske, Walter C. ....	Conant Road	—	—	800	4	21,780	2,200	6.25
Fitz Gerald, Agnes B. ....	Park Road....	1,000	12.50	—	—	—	—	6.25
Fitz Gerald, Stephen S. ....	Park Road....	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.19
Foote, Cherith M. ....	Warren Ave....	1,050	13.13	3,300	2	32,670	700	321.07
Foote, George A. ....	Concord Road	1,000	12.50	6,800	3	21,780	1,500	321.07
Foote, George A., & Co.	—	500	6.25	500	—	10,890	600	321.07
Foote, Maria. ....	North Ave....	—	—	2,500	2	21,780	750	321.07
Forbes, Elmer S. ....	Central Ave....	1,500	18.75	—	1	4,356	750	6.25
Foster, Francis A. ....	Newton.....	5,110	63.88	28,000	50	31,798	19,000	401.57
Foster, John W. ....	South Ave.....	1,600	20.00	9,500	4	21,780	8,300	37.50
Freeman, Caroline S. ....	Love Lane.....	3,900	48.75	18,500	46	25,264	11,500	37.50
Freeman, Charles A. ....	Old Road....	60	7.5	2,800	5	—	4,600	37.50
Freeman, Chas. A., Mfg. Co. ....	Crescent.....	3,300	41.25	1,900	—	19,602	500	71.25





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Irving, Anthony.....	Winter.....	\$3,000	\$37.50	\$2,700	114	26,136	\$9,300	\$12,000	\$150.00	\$187.50	
Jacobsen, Norman.....	North Ave.....	370	4.62	3,500	2	26,136	1,200	4,700	58.75	63.37	
Jenney, Annie S., Heirs, Paul Jenney, <i>et al.</i> .....	Hill Top Road.....	—	—	10,000	5	10,018	3,000	13,000	162.50	162.50	
Jennings, Charles D.....	Glen Road.....	1,900	23.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	23.75	
Jennings, Clara I.....	Glen Road.....	—	—	9,300	12	3,820	3,700	13,000	162.50	162.50	
Jennings, Edward.....	Glen Road.....	5,650	70.63	—	—	—	—	—	—	70.63	
Jennings, Ella M.....	Glen Road.....	—	—	13,500	81	6,534	9,200	22,700	283.75	283.75	
Jennings, Mildred A.....	Glen Road.....	—	—	7,000	—	37,897	750	7,750	96.88	96.88	
Jennings, Willard H.....	Glen Road.....	300	3.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.75	
Jennison, Elden H.....	Central Ave.....	555	6.94	2,600	12	—	4,800	7,400	92.50	99.44	
Jennison, Everett W.....	Warren Ave.....	500	6.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.25	
Johnson, Arthur T.....	Wellesley.....	150	1.88	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.88	
Johnson, Robert G., Heirs, Arthur T., <i>et al.</i> .....	Glen Road.....	—	—	3,200	3	—	—	1,200	4,400	55.00	
Jones, Charles H.....	Central Ave.....	19,122	239.02	56,600	265	14,810	30,300	86,900	1,086.25	1,325.27	
Jones, Edward A.....	Maple Road.....	33	.41	5,500	—	23,522	400	5,900	73.75	74.16	
Jones, Fannie C.....	—	—	—	3,000	1	3,049	800	3,800	47.50	47.50	
Jones, John, Heirs, John Jones, <i>et al.</i> .....	Central Ave.....	—	—	3,900	9	23,522	7,000	10,900	136.25	136.25	
Jones, Lettie E.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	2,600	34	37,026	4,000	6,600	82.50	82.50	
Jones, Marshall.....	Concord Road.....	300	3.75	4,600	37	20,037	4,400	9,000	112.50	116.25	
Jones, Mary.....	Concord Road.....	—	—	3,000	26	26,136	3,200	6,200	77.50	77.50	
Jones, Paul.....	Glen Road.....	2,000	25.00	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.00	
Jones, Ralph.....	Central Ave.....	—	5.63	450	—	—	—	3,500	3,500	43.75	49.38

Kearney, David.....	South Ave.....	10.00	—	—	—	—	10.00
Kennedy, John C.....	Newton.....	15.88	2,800	11	—	78.75	94.63
Kennedy, Charles C.....	Central Ave.....	—	4,300	1	—	3,500	58.75
Kenney, Lois.....	Central Ave.....	—	2,400	5	21,780	4,700	58.75
Kenney, Ralph.....	Central Ave.....	500	—	—	—	4,800	60.00
Kenney, William O.....	Central Ave.....	300	3.75	—	—	—	—
Kenyon, Martha F.....	Merriam.....	—	—	—	—	—	6.25
Kettle, Claude L.....	North Ave.....	3,259	40.74	—	—	—	3.75
Kettle, Ernestine M.....	Central Ave.....	7,450	93.13	19,500	46	15,000	46.25
Kimball, Everett A.....	Summer.....	300	3.75	2,400	5	3,500	40.74
Kingsbury, Otis A., Estate.....	River.....	—	—	1,400	10	21,780	52.38
Knowlton, Frank W.....	Wellesley.....	555	6.94	—	—	—	52.50
Knowlton, Isabel R.....	Wellesley.....	—	—	7,500	3	4,791	48.75
Lamson, George H. D.....	Central Ave.....	2,470	30.88	—	—	—	43.75
Lamson, J. F. & G. H. D.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	3,800	35	25,000	43.75
Lane, David W.....	South Ave.....	1,855	23.18	—	32,670	—	43.75
Lane, Fannie E.....	South Ave.....	—	—	8,900	15	—	43.75
Lane, J. Philip.....	South Ave.....	—	18	—	—	—	43.75
Lane, Robert.....	South Ave.....	100	1.25	—	—	—	43.75
Leadbetter, Wallace.....	South Ave.....	470	5.88	1,200	52	37,461	43.75
Livermore, Charles H.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	2,300	61	10,492	43.75
Livermore, Charles H., Jr.....	Wellesley.....	—	—	1,100	—	10,890	43.75
Livermore, John A. C.....	Wellesley.....	100	1.25	—	—	—	43.75
Lockwood, Mary B.....	Webster Road.....	—	—	7,000	1	26,571	43.75
Loker, Andrew G.....	Winter.....	1,285	16.06	8,750	132	23,958	43.75
Loker, Sarah A.....	Winter.....	—	—	2,000	44	22,215	43.75
Loring, Abby R.....	Loring.....	—	30.35	6,000	25	7,500	43.75
Loring, E. James.....	Loring.....	—	—	1,100	33	34,848	43.75
Loring, J. Q., Heirs, F. Loring.....	Preston, <i>et al.</i> .....	—	—	—	18	32,670	37.50
Lovewell, Ernest D.....	Glen Road.....	2,000	25.00	3,000	1	10,890	45.00
Lovewell, Isaac O.....	Glen Road.....	200	2.50	800	11	—	40.00
MacLeod, Daniel.....	Loring.....	—	—	1,200	—	10,890	16.25
Mackie, Minnie M.....	Viles.....	—	—	—	5	34,848	18.75

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Mansfield, Margaret D.....		Summer.....		\$200	\$2.50	—	—	18	—	\$2,700	\$3,300	\$41.25	\$41.25	—	—	—	—	—	—
Martin, Arthur.....		Central Ave.....		200	2.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.50	2.50
Martin, John Estate.....		Summer.....		—	—	3,200	—	4	10,890	200	3,400	42.50	42.50	—	—	—	—	—	42.50
McAuliffe, John H.....		Church.....		5,000	62.50	3,000	—	—	28,314	1,600	4,600	57.50	120.00	—	—	—	—	—	120.00
McCullough, George.....		Central Ave.....		500	6.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.25
McGahan, John H.....		Central Ave.....		—	—	—	—	2,700	3	37,897	2,500	5,200	65.00	65.00	—	—	—	—	65.00
McKenney, Edmund K.....		Silver Hill Road.....		—	—	3,200	1	18,730	600	3,800	47.50	47.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	47.50
McMahon, Barnard.....		Concord Road.....		100	1.25	400	10	—	—	600	1,000	12.50	12.50	—	—	—	—	—	13.75
McNutt, Charles T.....		Glen Road.....		—	—	—	3	3	16,117	500	500	6.25	6.25	—	—	—	—	—	6.25
McNutt, Mary E.....		Glen Road.....		—	—	7.50	4,800	15	2	—	400	400	5.00	5.00	—	—	—	—	5.00
Mead, Marian C.....		Conant Road.....		600	20.05	9,000	3	—	2,514	—	5,000	9,800	122.50	122.50	—	—	—	—	130.00
Meigs, Elizabeth H.....		Ox Bow Road.....		1,604	38.24	—	—	—	—	—	1,500	10,500	131.25	131.25	—	—	—	—	151.30
Mendell, Elizabeth.....		North Ave.....		3,059	25.78	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Mendell, Seth.....		North Ave.....		2,062	1,195	14.93	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	25.78
Merriam, Georgiana.....		Merriam.....		2,035	25.44	21,500	231	—	30,492	23,100	44,600	55.50	55.50	—	—	—	—	—	14.93
Merriam, Herbert.....		North Ave.....		—	—	—	1,000	—	21,780	150	1,150	14.37	14.37	—	—	—	—	—	14.37
Methodist Society.....		North Ave.....		—	—	—	3,000	1	—	—	300	3,300	41.25	41.25	—	—	—	—	41.25
Miller, Philip.....		Wellesley.....		200	2.50	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2.50
Milton, George B.....		South Ave.....		—	—	4,000	18	—	5,227	2,000	6,000	75.00	75.00	—	—	—	—	—	75.00
Mitchell, F. Robins.....		Webster Road.....		—	—	5,000	2	—	—	1,200	6,200	77.50	77.50	—	—	—	—	—	77.50
Monks, Archibald G.....		Wellesley.....		—	—	exempt	1	10,890	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Moore, James W., Heirs, Pearl Moore, et al.....		Wellesley.....		—	6.25	4,800	1	—	—	—	800	5,600	70.00	70.00	—	—	—	—	70.00
Morrill, C. O.....		Wellesley.....		500	14.19	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Morrison, B. Thatcher.....		Wellesley.....		1,135	233.50	61,150	161	26,571	—	—	39,600	100,750	1,419	1,419	—	—	—	—	1,419
Morrison, Fannie E.....		South Ave.....		18,680	—	800	12	23,958	1,050	1,850	1,850	23.12	23.12	—	—	—	—	1,492.88	
Morse, Charles E.....		South Ave.....		—	—	900	17	32,670	1,500	2,400	2,400	30.00	30.00	—	—	—	—	30.00	

Morse, George A.	South Ave.	350	4.37	1,800	22	7,849	2,650	4,450	55.63	60.00
Morton, Marian E.	Central Ave.	—	—	3,000	1	27,442	1,125	51.25	51.57	51.57
Mosher, Clarence F.	Summer	—	—	1,000	—	10,890	100	1,100	13.75	13.75
Mulock, Franklin C.	Newton	200	—	1,200	3	871	1,200	2,400	30.00	32.50
Munn, Ella M.	Wellesley	—	—	850	—	6,969	200	1,050	13.13	13.13
Murdock, George F.	Concord	100	—	1.25	—	—	—	—	1.25	1.25
Murray, George D.	Silver Hill Road	—	—	—	—	35,283	350	350	4.37	4.37
Nash, Frederick H.	South Ave.	1,435	17.94	—	—	—	—	—	17.94	17.94
Nims, Arthur B.	Maple Road	100	1.25	—	—	—	—	—	1.25	1.25
Nims, Sarah L.	Maple Road	—	—	2,650	—	16,988	350	3,000	37.50	37.50
Nolte, Eveline	Love Lane	150	1.88	5,000	66	13,068	13,000	18,000	225.00	226.88
Ogilvie, Beriah	Warren Ave.	550	6.88	1,400	—	32,670	200	1,600	20.00	26.88
Orr, Harriet E.	Central Ave.	1,100	13.75	—	—	—	—	—	13.75	13.75
Orr, S. Sanford	North Ave	200	2.50	—	—	—	—	—	2.50	2.50
Paine, Charles J., Estate, John B., Paine, Executor	Old Road	38,240	478.00	27,950	657	19,602	73,300	101,250	1,265.62	1,743.62
Paine, Charles J.	Highland	780	9.74	7,000	22	21,780	5,000	12,000	150.00	159.74
Paine, Frank C.	Highland	4,405	55.06	—	—	—	—	—	—	55.06
Paine, John B.	Highland	3,200	40.00	5,300	1	21,780	1,200	6,500	81.25	121.25
Palmer, Grant M.	Pigeon Hill Rd.	—	—	4,000	2	32,234	700	4,700	58.75	58.75
Parker, Benjamin R.	Comant Road	2,000	25.00	1,800	—	21,780	200	2,000	25.00	50.00
Parker, Florence	Comant Road	—	—	—	1	10,890	200	200	2.50	2.50
Parkhurst, Edward C.	Westland Ave.	—	—	3,000	1	4,356	400	3,400	42.50	42.50
Parks, Samuel M.	Oak	—	—	—	—	32,670	100	100	1.25	1.25
Patterson, Alice C.	Central Ave.	—	—	4,500	35	21,780	3,000	7,500	93.75	93.75
Patterson, Carlyle	Central Ave.	750	9.37	—	—	—	—	—	—	9.37
Paul, Willard A.	Newton	—	—	2,500	1	2,514	1,500	4,000	50.00	50.00
Peakes, Charles E.	Merriam	3,853	48.16	3,500	12	34,848	3,400	6,900	86.25	134.41
Peirce, Edward R.	Cliff Road	6,675	83.44	—	92	—	4,000	4,000	50.00	133.44
Peirce, Helen	Cliff Road	15,100	188.75	56,000	94	37,461	25,000	81,000	1,012.50	1,201.25
Peirce, J. Gilbert, Admr estate of Mary F. Peirce	School	—	—	3,800	25	21,780	11,000	14,800	185.00	185.00
Pennock, Samuel G.	School	—	—	3,500	2	41,382	2,100	5,600	70.00	70.00

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Perham, Olive . . . . .		Silver Hill Road	—	—	\$2,200	1	4,356	\$500	\$2,700	215,000	215,000	\$33.75	\$33.75	\$33.75	
Perry, George S., Arthur L. Coburn & Chas. H. Brigham, Trustees under will of . . . . .		—	—	9,200	64	32,670	8,000	—	—	2,400	6,300	78,750	78,750	78,750	
Perry, George S., Arthur L. Coburn & Chas. H. Brigham, Trustees under will of, for benefit of Hattie S. Perry . . . . .		—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Perry, Henry S. . . . .		Crescent . . . . .	\$6.25	—	3,900	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	6.25
Platt, T. Beach . . . . .		Wellesley . . . . .	9.37	3,000	—	—	16,117	500	3,500	—	—	43.75	53.12	53.12	53.12
Pope, Frank H. . . . .		South Ave . . . . .	10.62	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	10.62
Pope, Susan C. . . . .		Oak . . . . .	—	—	1,000	—	17,424	250	1,250	15,620	15,620	15,620	15,620	15,620	15,620
Post, Abner . . . . .		South Ave . . . . .	440	5.51	5,600	15	—	4,500	10,100	—	—	126.25	131.76	131.76	131.76
Poutas, Charles A. . . . .		Concord Road . . . . .	150	1.88	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.88
Poutas, Marie M., Estate, Chas. A. Poutas, Executor of Powell, Lalia. . . . .		Webster Road . . . . .	—	—	2,200	109	—	—	6,000	8,200	8,200	8,200	102.50	102.50	102.50
Pratt, Frances A. . . . .		Hill Top Road . . . . .	—	—	7,000	2	3,485	1,200	—	—	—	—	—	—	102.50
Preston, Frank Loring . . . . .		South Ave. . . . .	2,295	28.69	9,000	13	17,424	22,215	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	12.50	12.50	12.50
Preston, Frank Loring, Admr. estate of Marian W. Preston Pushee, George D. . . . .		Church . . . . .	4,500	56.25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	56.25
Pushee, George Horton. . . . .		Conant Road . . . . .	7,510	93.88	10,500	14	16,988	3,700	14,200	177.50	177.50	177.50	271.38	271.38	271.38
Rand, Ethel G. . . . .		Silver Hill Road . . . . .	2,055	25.69	15,000	4	32,670	5,000	20,000	250.00	250.00	250.00	275.69	275.69	275.69
Rand, John F. . . . .		Central Ave. . . . .	—	1.88	—	3,200	—	33,976	350	3,550	44.38	44.38	44.38	44.38	44.38
			150	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1.88

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Rand, Roland, Heirs, Charles Rand, <i>et al.</i>	Sudbury Road.	—	—	—	—	66.25
Rand, Roland B.	North Ave.	100	—	—	—	1.25
Raymond, Susan A.	Silver Hill Road	1,000	12.50	—	—	12.50
Reed, Bernice M.	Silver Hill Road	500	6.25	—	—	6.25
Reed, Walter C.	Central Ave.	—	2,250	—	400	2,650
Remick, John A., Jr.	Merriam	200	2.50	—	—	33.13
Renwick, Mary M.	Merriam	—	19,500	100	15,000	34,500
Renwick, William G.	Merriam	20,500	256.25	—	—	431.25
Richardson, Charles O.	Conant Road	6,000	75.00	5,200	1	21,780
Richardson, Howard C.	North Ave.	900	11.25	1,100	7	—
Richardson, Thomas C.	North Ave.	—	—	1,400	10	27,007
Ripley, Edith H.	Webster Road.	—	—	7,000	2	9,147
Ripley, Edward P.	Webster Road.	400	5.00	—	—	—
Ripley, Francis B.	Sudbury Road.	200	2.50	2,700	72	—
Risley, Elizabeth R.	Central Ave.	50	.63	—	—	—
Robbins, Charles W.	Summer	576	7.20	9,200	2	3,485
Robbins, William B.	Church	910	11.38	—	—	—
Roberts, Louis E.	Sudbury Road.	1,500	18.75	1,900	73	21,780
Russell, Henry G.	North Ave.	345	4.31	1,300	4	—
Russell, Mary E.	North Ave.	—	—	1,000	7	—
Sanderson, Elizabeth	River	—	1,500	—	32,670	600
Schenck, Garrett	South Ave.	11,500	143.75	19,000	104	35,719
Schwartz, Annie M.	Golden Ball Rd.	—	—	2,000	—	10,890
Schwartz, J. Melvin	Highland	—	—	2,200	55	28,314
Scott, Thomas W.	Golden Ball Rd.	200	2.50	2,600	2	—
Seamans, Frank M.	Pigeon Hill Rd.	2,441	30.51	8,000	2	—
Sears, Francis B.	Crescent	352	4.39	—	—	—
Sears, Horace S.	Central Ave.	50,400	630.00	90,600	32	27,007
Sears, Marian B.	Crescent	1,515	18.94	—	—	—
Sears, Mary E.	Central Ave.	1,500	18.75	21,000	20	26,136
Sears, Percival A.	Wellesley	500	6.25	—	—	—
Seaver, Carrie A.	Hill Top Road.	—	—	1,000	—	10,890
Seavers, Edna L. & Fannie S.	Park Road.	—	—	1,450	1	—
Shaw, Benjamin H.	Golden Ball Rd.	75	.94	800	1	—

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Shaylor, Egbert J.....	South Ave.....	—	—	\$11,000	16	20,908	\$5,000	\$16,000	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$27.50
Sheehan, Kate .....	Concord Road .....	—	—	1,200	25	41,382	1,000	2,200	27.50	27.50	27.50	27.50	3.75
Sherburne, Frank A.....	Summer.....	—	—	—	—	19,602	300	300	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75	3.75
Sherburne, Mary.....	Chestnut.....	\$150	\$1.88	1,300	6	25,700	1,000	2,300	28.75	28.75	28.75	28.75	30.63
Sherburne, William F.....	Summer.....	425	5.32	5,400	5	13,068	1,550	6,950	86.88	86.88	86.88	86.88	92.20
Sherman, Herbert A.....	North Ave.....	1,385	17.31	1,300	16	18,295	1,200	2,500	31.25	31.25	31.25	31.25	48.56
Sherman, Melvin .....	Central Ave.....	—	—	2,600	—	29,185	500	3,100	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.75
Sibley, Albert H., Charles W., & George S.....	Central Ave .....	1,050	13.13	2,700	1	37,897	700	3,400	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50	42.50
Sibley, George S.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	13.13
Sibley, Hannah E.....	White Lane .....	—	—	—	1	24,829	1,000	1,000	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50	12.50
Sibley, Mary A., Charles W., George S. & Albert H.....	Central Ave .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Smith, Charles E.....	Sudbury Road .....	400	5.00	4,600	121	25,700	900	2,400	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Smith, Eliza A.....	Park Road.....	—	—	2,000	—	13,068	250	2,250	28.13	28.13	28.13	28.13	145.00
Smith, Fred V.....	Park Road.....	300	3.75	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.75
Smith, George E.....	Winter.....	250	3.13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.13
Smith, Gustavus A.....	Wellesley.....	—	—	2,700	—	17,424	400	3,100	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.75	38.75
Smith, Sarah H.....	Winter.....	—	—	—	9	21,780	400	500	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25	6.25
Smith, William H.....	Pine.....	—	—	—	500	32	39,204	1,000	1,500	18.75	18.75	18.75	18.75
Sobelia, Marie.....	Warren Ave.....	—	—	—	1,400	2	3,049	250	1,650	20.63	20.63	20.63	20.63
Spaulding, Henrietta.....	Central Ave.....	100	1.25	4,300	5	31,363	2,500	6,800	85.00	85.00	85.00	85.00	86.25
Stanley, David.....	Warren Ave.....	—	—	—	1,000	—	21,780	250	1,250	15.62	15.62	15.62	15.62
Stedman, George R.....	North Ave.....	—	—	—	1,100	—	40,510	350	1,450	18.13	18.13	18.13	18.13
Steele, Otis A.....	River.....	—	—	900	2	24,829	700	1,600	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00	20.00
Stevens, Charles H.....	Merriam .....	280	3.50	2,700	1	41,382	600	41.25	44.75	44.75	44.75	44.75	44.75

Stickney, Arville.....	Merriam.....	3,000	1,742	1,000	50.00
Stimpson, Charles H.....	Hill Top Road.....	1,200	1	400	50.00
Stone, Charles .....	Orchard Ave.....	—	1	300	20.00
Stone, Howard A.....	Silver Hill Road.....	5,000	1	5,500	3.75
Tebo, James.....	Chestnut.....	—	1,500	1	68.75
Tenney, Nathaniel G.....	Church.....	150	1.88	—	50.00
Thompson, Walter H.....	South Ave.....	1,115	13.94	1,400	20.00
Thorndike, Albert.....	Hill Top Road.....	1,975	24.69	—	3.75
Thorndike, Mary Q.....	Hill Top Road.....	1,162	14.52	—	68.75
Thurston, George A.....	North Ave.....	9,200	115.00	29,000	68.75
Tozier, Phoebe E.....	Wellesley.....	—	—	1,100	300
Trask, George E.....	North Ave.....	220	2.75	2,200	5
Travis, Henry D.....	Newton.....	150	1.88	—	1,400
Travis, Hosea F.....	Glen Road.....	—	—	400	2,000
Trenholm, James W.....	Westland Ave.....	—	—	3,000	1
Truitt, Robert R.....	Newton.....	275	3.43	2,500	6
Tucker, Lauretta.....	Silver Hill Road.....	—	—	*1	1,500
Tucker, William F., Heirs	Silver Hill Road.....	—	—	10,890	—
Alice, Robert <i>et al.</i> s.....	North Ave.....	—	—	—	—
Turner, Edward T.....	Silver Hill Road.....	15	19	15	500
Tyler, Herbert.....	Lexington.....	200	2.50	700	3,000
Tyler, Herbert E.....	Silver Hill Road.....	—	—	2,700	—
Tyler, Mattie J.....	Lexington.....	1,550	19.38	1,500	103
Tyler, Sidney E.....	North Ave.....	—	—	800	2
Tyler, Sidney E., Jr., Heirs .....	Conant Road.....	—	—	9,000	1
Unitarian Society.....	Central Ave.....	—	—	1,500	—
Upham, Arthur E.....	Newton.....	1,000	12.50	—	29,620
Upham, Augustus M.....	Ash.....	—	—	1,500	2
Upham, Frank H. and Julia .....	—	—	—	3,000	37
Upham, James M. Estate,	—	—	—	—	28,314
Arthur G. Williams, Admn.	—	—	—	4,500	7
Upham, Nathan E., Heirs .....	—	—	—	—	—
Dorothy E. Upham, Gertrude Huntley, Trustee.....	Newton.....	—	—	3,000	8

\*Exempt.

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Vannevar, Dorothy G., Estate.		North Ave....		\$1,500	\$18.75	\$5,500	\$1,000	\$6,500	\$81.25
Van Nuys, Fresenius.....		Central Ave....		1,205	15.06	6,100	64	3,750	18.75
Viles, Henry L..		Conant Road....		200	2.50	—	—	—	138.18
Viles, Mertie.....		Conant Road....		1,890	23.62	1,300	64	3,300	2.50
Vittum, Darius B.....		Lexington.....							81.12
Walker, Fred E.....		Central Ave....		150	1.88	62,100	119	8,712	1.88
Walker, Grant.....		Concord Road....		46,710	583.88	—	—	20,000	1,610.13
Warren, Charles A., Estate,		Newton.....			—	1,050	3	29,185	2,050
Harry A., Admir.....		Central Ave....			—	—	—	400	25.63
Warren, May.....		Warren Ave....		800	10.00	—	21,780	500	5.00
Warren, Percy.....		Merriam.....			—	3,000	—	27,007	6.25
Washburn, Alice M.....		Central Ave....		150	1.88	—	—	300	16.25
Wattis, Charles H.....		Chestnut.....		1,460	18.26	5,000	17	6,534	41.25
Welch, Edward Sohier.....		Welllesley.....		300	3.75	2,000	2	26,136	1,125.00
Welcome, George H.....		Welllesley.....		4,000	50.00	—	—	1,000	130.76
Wellington, Arthur W.....		Welllesley.....			—	9,500	107	8,712	37.50
Wellington, Evelyn L.....		Welllesley.....		1,060	13.26	—	—	13,000	50.00
Wellington, Louis B.....		Summer.....		200	2.50	—	—	—	281.25
Wells, Ernest L.....		Summer.....		100	1.25	2,800	1	37,897	13.26
Wells, Frank E.....		Weston Athletic Ass'n.....			—	—	—	700	2.50
Weston Coal Co.....		Weston Land Ass'n, F. H. Brooks & Winslow Washburn, Trustees.....		2,750	34.38	—	*10,890	3,500	45.00
Weston Land Ass'n, F. H. Brooks & Winslow Washburn, Trustees.....		Weston Ave.....			—	—	—	—	34.38
Weston Water Co.....				22,250	278.13	13,000	29	3,049	62.50
Wetherbee, Lillian M.....				—	4,000	—	26	8,276	534.38
								7,500	256.25
								4,600	57.50

\*Exempt.

Wheeler, George H.....	1,500	Central Ave....	1,875	—	—	—	18.75
Wheeler, Henry A.....	150	North Ave....	1,88	2,200	6	2,178	42.50
Wheeler, John B. E.....	1,000	North Ave....	1250	3,800	4	—	44.38
Wheelerock, Charles H.....	835	Central Ave....	1044	—	—	—	80.00
Wheeloock, Rachael A.....	—	Central Ave....	—	3,800	11	10,454	10.44
White, Amelia B.....	—	Lexington....	—	16,600	56	31,798	100.00
White, Austin T.....	13,400	Lexington....	167.50	5,200	50	8,400	312.50
White, Christy.....	—	White Lane....	—	5,200	—	3,049	332.50
White, Henry L.....	—	Newton....	—	1,200	—	8,000	—
Whitman, Francis H.....	20,000	Concord Road....	250.00	3,200	82	13,200	165.00
Whittemore, Charles F.....	—	Central Ave....	—	1,000	—	10,890	100.00
Whittemore, Homer F.....	790	Central Ave....	9.87	1,600	—	100	1,300
Whittemore, William.....	135	Central Ave....	1.69	7,900	33	800	16.25
Willard, Ellen E.....	112	South Ave....	1.40	7,000	—	5,000	16.25
Wilson, Alice L.....	—	North Ave....	—	3,400	6	5,800	112.50
Wilson, Robert A.....	1,280	North Ave....	16.00	—	—	250	362.50
Windsor, Alexander.....	3,610	Central Ave....	45.13	—	—	1,250	15.62
Windsor, Charlotte B.....	35	North Ave....	.44	—	—	250	15.62
Windsor, Paul.....	1,570	Webster Road....	19.63	8,175	31	1,850	16.25
Windsor, Robert.....	25,667	Wellesley....	320.84	61,800	473	23.12	16.25
Wellsley.....	1,000	Wellesley....	12.50	—	—	32.99	16.25
Concord Road.....	350	Concord Road....	4.37	3,800	1	5,000	162.94
Church.....	1,000	Church.....	12.50	—	—	12,900	162.94
School.....	400	School.....	5.00	—	—	7,750	98.28
Silver Hill Road.....	—	Silver Hill Road....	—	400	4	9,000	98.28
Merriam.....	—	Merriam.....	—	200	1	1,600	65.00
Glen Road.....	165	Glen Road....	2.06	800	53	6,000	65.00
Young, Benjamin L.....	2,600	Newton....	32.50	—	—	7,300	65.00
Young, Charlotte W.....	14,500	Newton....	181.25	52,000	65	17,424	900.00
Young, Edith H.....	—	Newton....	—	1,200	2	9,583	900.00
Zoller, Clara.....	200	Conant Road....	2.50	—	—	1,800	22.50
Zoller, Elizabeth Q.....	460	Conant Road....	5.76	600	97	8,000	22.50
						8,600	113.26
						—	107.50



## **NON-RESIDENT LIST**

## NON-RESIDENTS.

NAMES AND RESIDENCES OF PERSONS ASSESSED.		Assessee's Value of Personal Estate.						Assessee's Value of Real Estate.						Total Tax on Real Estate.						Total Cash on Personal Real Estate.					
Name.	Residence.	Value of Buildings on Land.			Number of Acres of Land.			Value of Buildings on Land.			Number of Feet.			Value of Land Ex-clusively of Buildings.			Assessee's Value of Real Estate.			Total Tax on Real Estate.			Total Cash on Personal Real Estate.		
Alden, Alice	Spartan'b'g, S.C.	\$4,700	\$58.75	\$1,200	—	—	10,890	\$200	\$1,400	\$17.50	—	—	10,600	10,500	10,500	132.50	132.50	132.50	132.50	132.50	132.50				
American Tel. & Tel. Co.	Salem	—	—	6,000	1	26,571	—	—	—	—	—	1,500	—	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500		
Andrews, Edith H.	West Acton	—	—	—	—	1	10,890	400	400	400	400	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Berry, Marian	Bigelow, Blanche, Edw. A. Walker, <i>et al.</i>	—	—	—	—	100	181	16,988	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,600	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500	10,500			
Bigelow, Frank	South America	—	—	—	—	—	—	13	12,196	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Blaney, Dwight	Boston	—	—	3,500	120	29,620	—	—	9,500	—	—	—	—	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000	13,000		
Blaney, Edith Hill	Boston	—	—	2,000	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Boston & Albany R.R. Co.	Waltham	—	—	—	—	17	21,780	16,000	16,000	16,000	16,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000		
Boston Athletic Ass'n	Wayland	—	—	10,000	23	21,780	12,000	—	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000	22,000			
Bright, Mrs. E. G.	Lincoln	—	—	—	—	6	39,204	—	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200	1,200				
Brown, Katherine D.	Waltham	—	—	2,800	—	—	26,136	400	400	400	400	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200	3,200		
Browning, Edgar C.	Wayland	—	—	—	—	8	40,075	750	750	750	750	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—		
Bryden, Ellen S.	Newton	—	—	—	—	15	—	—	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750	750			
Bryden, Samuel	Waltham	—	—	—	—	42	10,890	—	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000				
Burrage, Harry L.	Waltham	—	—	—	—	16	—	—	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600				
Burns, John J.	Waltham	—	—	8,000	15	—	—	—	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500				
Caldwell, Levi	Waltham	—	—	—	3	40,510	300	300	—	—	—	—	—	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300	300			
Carr, Emma H.	Waltham	—	—	2,050	1	871	400	400	—	—	—	—	—	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450	2,450			
Child, May G.	Brookline	—	—	—	8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000	1,000			





Plumer, Mary A...	Brookline.....	2,500	2,500	31.25
Pope, J. William...	Watertown.....	300	300	3.75
Reed, Thomas E...	Belmont.....	26,136	26,136	5
Rice, Nannie R...	Marion.....	—	9,583	5
Richardson, Irving P...	Waltham.....	—	36,590	10
Russell, Arthur J...	Seattle.....	10,500	2	—
Russell, Mary O...	Castine, Me....	3,000	1	29,185
Sauer, Alexander, Trustee...	Wayland.....	—	31,363	3
Schrafft, William E...	Boston.....	2,300	167	9,583
Scott, Alice R...	Cambridge.....	17,500	251	—
Seavers, Granville, Heirs...	Roslindale.....	1,200	10	15,300
Self, Laura S...	Roxbury.....	—	3	—
Shaw, C. D., W. M., & A. H...	Bath, Me....	—	21,780	1,500
Sherman, Daniel H...	Lincoln.....	—	1	23,522
Sproul, Mary J., Heirs....	Philadelphia.....	—	35	10,890
Stratton, Charles, Heirs....	Boston.....	—	5	17,500
Thompson, Fannie...	Waltham.....	—	—	26,136
Thompson, Fred I...	Waltham.....	900	4	21,780
Thorndike, Sturgis...	Boston.....	8,100	—	26,136
Tyler, George E...	Cambridge.....	—	1	13
Viles, Jesse S., Estate .....	Montpelier, Vt.	—	—	89
Walker, Henry P...	Hudson .....	—	—	1
Waltham Coal Co...	—	—	—	23,086
Watts, Frank J...	Boston.....	4,000	130	38,332
Western Union Telegraph Co.	—	—	—	—
Wight, M. Louise...	Wellesley.....	—	1	23,700
Williams, Hugh...	Boston.....	—	4	—
Wilmot, George...	South Lincoln...	—	—	37,897
Wilson, Ida L...	Brookline.....	—	1	600
		17	21,780	3,500
				43.75



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# TOWN OF WESTON

RECORDS, 1917

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### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING AND ELECTION.

#### **Town Warrant.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To any Constable of the Town of Weston.*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said town on Monday, the 26th day of March current at 12 of the clock noon, at which time the polls will be opened and may be closed at 4 of the clock in the afternoon, to bring in to the subscribers their votes for the following town officers, each to be designated and all to be voted for on one ballot, namely:—

A town clerk for a term of three years,  
One selectman for a term of three years,  
One overseer of the poor for a term of three years,  
One assessor for a term of three years,  
One member of the school committee for a term of three years,  
A treasurer and collector,  
An auditor,  
One library trustee for a term of three years,  
A library treasurer,  
One trustee of the Merriam fund for the silent poor for a term of three years,  
One park commissioner for a term of three years,

One cemetery commissioner for a term of three years,  
One cemetery commissioner for a term of one year,  
One member of the board of health for a term of three years,  
Seven measurers of wood and bark,  
Three surveyors of lumber,  
Three fence viewers,  
A pound keeper,  
Three field drivers,  
Eight constables, and  
A tree warden,

Also to vote "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question "Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this town?"

and for the following purposes, to wit:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose by separate ballot a moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To hear and act upon reports of town officers and committees.

ARTICLE 3. To determine whether the Town will adopt the recommendation of the Selectmen that the street lights be kept lighted until 12.30 o'clock A.M. without regard to the moon, in place of the present dark-hour schedule, at an estimated increased annual cost of \$798.58.

ARTICLE 4. To determine whether the Town will authorize the payment from the appropriation for Town Common, a sum not exceeding \$1,000 for the purchase of furniture for the new Town Hall, and a sum not exceeding \$600 for laying water pipes under the new road.

ARTICLE 5. To determine whether the Town will appropriate an additional sum of money for the purposes of the Town Improvement Plan, including the settlement of claims for land

damages as approved by the Selectmen and Park Commissioners and to act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To determine whether the Town will provide for the retirement of a portion of the present outstanding indebtedness of the Town; to appropriate money therefor, and to act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To determine whether the Town will vote to convey to Laura L. Case, or any other person, all the Town's right, title and interest in that strip of land now lying and being in the Case estate but formerly being a part of School Street and Wellesley Street, and to act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To determine whether the Town will vote to accept the provisions of chapter 243 of the Acts of 1909, authorizing the Selectmen of towns to grant licenses for the sale of ice-cream, confectionery, soda water and fruit on the Lord's day.

ARTICLE 9. To raise and appropriate by borrowing or otherwise such sums of money as may be necessary for all or any of the purposes mentioned in the foregoing articles, or as may be required to defray the expenses of the Town for the ensuing year; and especially to act upon all the appropriations asked for or proposed by the selectmen or by any town officers or committees in their reports.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the Town; namely at the town-house, at the Kendal Green post-office and on the town bulletin board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton Street and Park Road seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the selectmen at the time and place of said meeting.

GIVEN under our hands this third day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,

*Selectmen of the Town of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Weston, according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,

MARCH 14, 1917.

*Constable of Weston.*

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Lower Town Hall, on Monday, March 26, 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, and were called to order by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants. The Lower Town Hall had been fitted up as a polling place in conformity with the laws of the Commonwealth.

Before the opening of the polls, the "cards of instructions," "penalties to voters," and "specimen ballots" had been posted in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth. The following Election Officers were appointed by the Selectmen and sworn to the faithful performance of their duties:—

<i>Election Officers:</i>	Geo. Faber, Cornelius M. Kelliher.
<i>Ballot Clerks:</i>	Henry A. Wheeler, Thomas W. Scott.

The ballot-box was opened publicly and shown to be empty. The register on the box was set at zero, and the box locked and the keys delivered to Cornelius M. Kelliher.

A package of ballots containing 260 women's ballots and 690 regular ballots was delivered to the Ballot Clerks by the Town Clerk *pro tem.*, who took their receipt therefor.

The polls were then declared open.

At 3.30 o'clock P.M. the ballot-box was opened and 50 ballots taken therefrom.

At 4 o'clock P.M. the polls were declared closed.

The number of names checked on the Voting Lists used by the Ballot Clerks and the Election Officer in charge of the reception of ballots was 78. The automatic register of the ballot-box read 78, and upon opening the box 28 ballots were taken therefrom. These ballots were counted and recorded and declaration thereof made in open town meeting by the Moderator and were for the following Town Officers and on the License question:—

TOWN CLERK (for three years).

George W. Cutting, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	74
Blanks . . . . .	4

SELECTMAN (for three years).

Benjamin Loring Young, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	76
Blanks . . . . .	2
(Sworn April 3 by Town Clerk <i>pro tem.</i> )	

OVERSEER OF THE POOR (for three years).

Henry A. Wheeler, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	73
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Blanks . . . . .	5

ASSESSOR (for three years).

Edward P. Ripley, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	69
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Blanks . . . . .	9

SCHOOL COMMITTEE (for three years).

Warren P. Adams, Jr., Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	70
Blanks . . . . .	8

## TREASURER AND COLLECTOR (for one year).

Arthur E. Upham, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	73
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Blanks . . . . .	5

## AUDITOR (for one year).

Walter E. Wheeler, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	74
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Blanks . . . . .	4

## LIBRARY TRUSTEE (for three years).

Justin E. Gale, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	73
Scattering . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	4

## TRUSTEE OF THE MERRIAM FUND FOR THE SILENT POOR (for three years).

Charles A. Freeman, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
Blanks . . . . .	11

## LIBRARY TREASURER (for one year).

Arthur E. Upham, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	74
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Blanks . . . . .	4

## PARK COMMISSIONER (for three years).

Horace S. Sears, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	71
Blanks . . . . .	7

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (for three years).

Benjamin R. Parker, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	69
Blanks . . . . .	9

## CEMETERY COMMISSIONER (for one year).

Edward B. Field, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	72
Blanks . . . . .	6

**BOARD OF HEALTH (for three years).**

George Faber, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 67  
(Sworn by the Moderator.)

Scattering . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	10

## MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK (for one year).

George W. Cutting, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 68

George O. Hastings, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 67  
(Sworn April 27, T. C.)

Joseph R. Roberts, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 67  
(Sworn April 23, T. C.)

George W. Brodrick, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 67

Frank H. Allison, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	65
J. Melvin Schwartz, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	66

Scattering	3
Blanks	76

### SURVEYORS OF LUMBER (for one year).

Frank H. Allison, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 66

Frank H. Hanson, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 66  
William N. Gowell, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 66  
(Sworn May 1, B. H. D., Jr., J. P.)

Charles B. Cutter, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	69
Blanks	33

#### FENCE VIEWERS (for one year).

Augustus M. Upham, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 66  
(Sworn April 27, T. C.)

Patrick J. McAuliffe, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 67  
(Sworn April 27, T. C.)

(Sworn April 20, 1910.)  
J. Wesley Jones, Citizens' Caucus 65

**POUND KEEPER (for one year).**

Patrick J. McAuliffe, Citizens' Caucus . . . . . 68  
(Sworn April 20, T. C.)

(Sworn April 20, 1. C.)

### FIELD DRIVERS (for one year).

James B. Cronin, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	33
(Sworn May 1, T. C.)	
James W. Berry, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	32
Karl Andren, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	30
George W. D. Emerson, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	13
Scattering . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	125

### **CONSTABLES (for one year).**

George Faber, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
(Sworn by the Moderator.)	
Silas Baxter, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
(Sworn April 20, T. C.)	
Charles A. Freeman, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
(Sworn April 20, T. C.)	
J. Melvin Schwartz, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	68
Melvin B. Sherman, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
(Sworn by B. H. Dickson, Jr., Justice of the Peace.)	
Herbert E. Tyler, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	69
(Sworn April 3, B. L. Y., J. P.)	
Patrick J. McAuliffe, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	68
(Sworn by T. C., April 20.)	
Jeremiah Sliney, Citizens' Caucus . . . . .	67
(Sworn April 3 by B. L. Y., J. P.)	
Blanks . . . . .	84

## TREE WARDEN (for one year).

Edward P. Ripley, Citizens' Caucus	68
Blanks	10

Shall licenses be granted for the sale of intoxicating liquors in this Town for the ensuing year?

YES . . . . .	6
NO . . . . .	65
Blanks . . . . .	7

While the polls were open, the ballot-box was in charge of C. M. Kelliher and the voting list used in connection therewith was in charge of George Faber.

The votes were canvassed and counted by the election officers and Selectmen.

The ballots cast at the election, the tally sheets used in counting the votes, and the voting lists used in the distribution and deposit of the ballots were enclosed in envelopes and properly sealed and endorsed.

The above-mentioned envelopes, together with the ballot-box, the keys thereto, and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk *pro tempore* by the Presiding Election Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election followed and caused to be followed the "Laws relating to Elections" as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

A true copy.

Attest:

BRENTON H. DICKSON, Jr.,

*Town Clerk pro tem.*

A true copy of the record.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

Pursuant to the foregoing warrant (see pp.              ), a meeting of said inhabitants of the Town, qualified as aforesaid, was held at the time and place appointed. The Meeting in the absence of the Town Clerk was called to order and the warrant read by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen. Brenton H. Dickson, Jr., was elected Town Clerk *pro tem.* by ballot with the use of the check-list, and sworn by Andrew Fiske, Justice of the Peace.

ARTICLE 1. Andrew Fiske, Esq., was duly elected Moderator by ballot with the use of the check-list, and was declared elected by the Town Clerk *pro tem.*

The following resolution was offered by Charles H. Fiske, Jr., which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:—

It becomes our sad duty to call the attention of this meeting to the sudden death, on March 27, 1916, of our fellow-townsman and friend, Thomas Edward Coburn, aged sixty years.

He came from a family long identified with our Town, several of whose members, like himself, have served with honor and credit in various town offices.

He attended the schools of our Town, but was graduated from the West Newton High School. After graduation he became a farmer and pursued that honorable calling all his life. For twenty-five years he was a member of the Board of Road Commissioners and served the Town honorably and faithfully in that capacity. His kind heart always inspired others with his spirit of cordial friendliness, and as his friends we all regret his untimely decease.

**ARTICLE 2.** *Voted:* That the Reports of Town officers and Committees which have been printed and distributed throughout the Town be accepted, subject to any corrections which may be made by this meeting or by the Town Clerk, and that the Town Clerk is hereby directed to make such corrections to such copies of the reports as may be delivered under the provision of the Revised Laws, or as may be deposited in the archives of the Town and in the Public Library.

*Voted:* To accept and place on file the following reports subject to the later corrections, if any, to be made by this meeting or by the Town Clerk.

Report of the Town Clerk, report of the Selectmen, preliminary report of the Town Improvement Committee, report of the Committee on Cambridge Water Shed, report of the Superintendent of Moth Work, report of the Superintendent of Streets, report of the School Committee, report of the Swimming-pool Committee, report of the Park Commissioners, report of the Trustees of the Public Library, report of the Tree Warden, report of the Board of Fire Engineers, report of the Overseers of the Poor, report of the Board of Health, report of the Inspector of Slaughtering, report of the Inspector of Cattle, report of the Plumbing Inspector, report of the Cemetery Commissioners, report of the Assessors,

report of the Auditor, report of the Treasurer and Collector, report of the Treasurer of the Public Library, report of the Treasurer of the Merriam Fund for the Silent Poor.

*Voted:* That Article 9 be now taken up in connection with Article 2 and that the reports of the Town Officers and Committee be considered separately in order in which they are printed, to the end that the Town may take such further action thereon as may be deemed best.

### Appropriations.

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT.

1.22 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Selectmen . . . . .	\$600.00
1.22 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Auditing . . . . .	600.00
1.23 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Treasurer and Collector . . . . .	1100.00
1.23 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Assessors . . . . .	850.00
1.24 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Town Clerk . . . . .	350.00
1.24 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Law . . . . .	600.00
1.25 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Election and Reg- istration . . . . .	300.00
1.27 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Municipal Build- ings, Town Hall . . . . .	1100.00

#### PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY.

1.39 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Police Department	\$2000.00
1.48 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Fire Department .	4250.00
1.48 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Hydrant Service .	1500.00
1.49 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Sealer of Weights and Measures . . . . .	75.00
1.49 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Moth Extermina- tion . . . . .	6000.00
1.50 P.M.	<i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Tree Warden . . .	500.00

## HEALTH AND SANITATION.

1.50 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Health Department . . . . .	\$230.00
1.51 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Inspection of School Children . . . . .	300.00
1.51 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Inspection of Animals . . . . .	450.00
1.52 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Co-operative Board of Health . . . . .	650.00

## HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

1.53 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for General Maintenance . . . . .	\$20000.00
1.55 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Machinery and Equipment . . . . .	3500.00
1.56 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Superintendent's Salary . . . . .	1200.00
1.56 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Sidewalks . . . . .	1500.00
1.59 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Snow and Ice . . . . .	800.00
2.04 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Street Lighting . . . . .	7000.00
2.05 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Other Expenses . . . . .	500.00

## CHARITIES.

2.05 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Poor Department Administration . . . . .	\$175.00
2.11 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Support of Poor . . . . .	800.00
2.12 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Waltham Hospital (Weston Free Beds) . . . . .	750.00

## SOLDIERS' BENEFITS.

2.13 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for State Aid . . . . .	\$200.00
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## EDUCATION—SCHOOLS.

2.13 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Administration (including salaries) . . . . .	\$800.00
2.14 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Other General Ex- penses . . . . .	400.00
2.14 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Teachers' Salaries .	16350.00
2.14 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Text-books and Supplies . . . . .	1800.00
2.15 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Transportation of Pupils . . . . .	6500.00
2.16 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Janitors' services .	1600.00
2.16 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Fuel and Light .	2700.00
2.17 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .	1500.00
2.17 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Other Expenses .	500.00

## LIBRARIES.

2.18 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Library, Incidentals (Books and Periodicals, Dog Tax) . . . . .	\$2300.00
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## RECREATION.

2.19 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Instruction in Swimming . . . . .	\$1000.00
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## UNCLASSIFIED.

2.19 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Memorial Day . .	\$150.00
2.20 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Town Reports . .	1000.00
2.21 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for All Others . . .	100.00
2.21 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Burial Grounds .	2500.00
2.27 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Town Common .	20000.00
2.28 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Interest . . . .	3500.00
2.28 P.M. <i>Voted</i> to appropriate for Reserve Fund .	2000.00

*Voted:* That of the sums already appropriated, \$55,000 be taken from money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated.

*Voted:* That Edward B. Field, Charles M. Eaton, and Herbert E. Tyler constitute a Committee to be known as the Swimming-pool Committee, said Committee to have authority to expend the sum of \$1,000 already appropriated for instruction in swimming, and to make rules and regulations governing the use of the Swimming-pool.

*Voted:* That three persons be appointed by the Moderator to serve as Memorial Day Committee, with authority to expend upon the observance of said day, the sum of \$150.00 already appropriated for that purpose.

The Moderator appointed Francis B. Ripley, Charles M. Eaton, and Greenleaf W. Batchelder as the above Committee.

*Voted:* That the money appropriated at this Annual Town Meeting, not otherwise provided for, be assessed, after deducting the estimated receipts for the ensuing year, upon the Polls and Estates taxable in this Town, and be collected as the Town charges are usually assessed and collected, and as provided by law.

*Voted:* That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of a majority of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the taxes of the Municipal Year, beginning January 1, 1917, to an amount not exceeding in the aggregate, \$80,000; and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year; any debt or debts incurred under this vote to be paid from the taxes of said Municipal Year.

On the motion of B. L. Young it was voted by a unanimous vote:—

*Voted:* That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and directed to co-operate with the Committee on Public Safety appointed by his Excellency, the Governor of the Commonwealth, and to take such action as they deem best in order that the Town of Weston and its citizens may render the utmost possible service to the Commonwealth and the Nation in this time of national emergency.

On the motion of C. H. Fiske, Jr., it was voted by a unanimous vote:—

*Resolved:* That we, the Citizens of Weston, assembled in our annual Town Meeting, at this time of grave national crisis, declare our allegiance to our Country, and our unhesitating support of the President of the United States, and all other constituted authorities, in any forward step to protect American Lives, American Rights, and American Honor.

No ship that flies our flag is too small, no American's life is too humble to be denied the protection of our Government.

We urge upon Congress the imperative duty of enacting at the coming session a Bill for compulsory military training of the youth of our land, as a safeguard of liberty.

Our Country needs and demands leadership, and we call upon our President, and the Congress, and upon our Governor, to take immediate and effective action to resist aggression, that unshamed we may transmit to our descendants those principles of freedom and duty for which our ancestors were proud to shed their blood.

And be it further *resolved:* That a copy of this Resolution, signed by the Moderator of this meeting, and by the Selectmen, be telegraphed to-night to the President of our United States and to our Senators and our Representatives in Congress, and that a copy be mailed to the Governor in Boston and to our Representatives at the State House.

ARTICLE 3. *Voted:*—That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and directed to provide that the street lights throughout the town be kept lighted hereafter until 12.30 o'clock A.M., without regard to the moon.

ARTICLE 4. *Voted* at 2.25 P.M.: That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to expend from the unexpended balance of the appropriation for Town Common, a sum not exceeding one thousand dollars for the purchase of furniture for the new Town Hall, and a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars to be paid to

the Weston Water Company for water pipes already laid under the new highway.

ARTICLE 5. *Voted at 2.35 p.m.:* That the Park Commissioners with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to expend all or any part of the appropriation for Town Common, including the \$20,000 voted by this meeting, and the unexpended and unappropriated balance of the sum of \$50,000 voted in 1913 for said purpose, in making such settlements as in their absolute discretion they deem to be for the best interests of the Town of any or all of the suits brought against the Town by owners of land taken in connection with the Town Improvement Plan, and as sites for town buildings, and in satisfying any judgments, with or without costs, which may be entertained in any of said suits by agreement or otherwise, and for legal, engineering, and other expenses incurred in connection therewith, and in procuring plans for and actually carrying out such further development and improvement of the Town Hall lot and the Park as they in their discretion deem best.

ARTICLE 6. *Voted at 2.56 p.m.:* That the sum of \$25,000 be and is hereby appropriated for the purpose of retiring a portion of the present outstanding indebtedness of the Town, and that the Selectmen be and are hereby authorized to expend said sum or any part thereof for the purchase in the name and behalf of the Town of any bonds issued by the Town for the construction of the Fire Engine House or for the construction of the Town Hall, and now outstanding on such terms and in such manner as the Selectmen in their absolute discretion deem to be for the best interests of the Town, and any and all bonds purchased under authority of this vote shall be at once delivered to the Town Treasurer and cancelled by him in the presence of the Selectmen.

ARTICLE 7. *Voted at 2.58 p.m.:* That in consideration of \$1 to be paid by Laura L. Case, of Weston, the Town authorizes and directs the conveyance, without covenants, to said Case, or her nominee, by the Selectmen, in the name and behalf of the Town, of all its right and the abandonment of all its easement in that parcel or strip of land now lying and being in the Case estate,

but formerly being a part of School Street and Wellesley Street, provided that the Town shall be put to no expense in connection with said conveyance.

ARTICLE 8. *Voted* to lay this article on the table.

At 3.10 P.M. it was voted to take a recess until 3.40 P.M., which was continued until 5.10 P.M.

5.25 P.M. *Voted* that this meeting be now dissolved.

Dissolved.

A true record.

Attest:

BRENTON H. DICKSON, Jr.,  
*Town Clerk pro tem.*

A true copy of the record.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
MIDDLESEX, ss.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Weston.* GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in Town Hall, Weston, Tuesday, the third day of April, 1917, at four o'clock P.M., for the following purposes:

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates for Delegate to the Constitutional Convention:

32 Delegates at Large.

8 Delegates from Congressional District Thirteenth Congressional District.

All the above candidates are to be voted for upon one ballot.

Each voter may vote only for sixteen candidates at large and four candidates by congressional district.

The polls will be open from four to eight P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town.

Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-second day of March, A.D. 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,

*Selectmen of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Weston according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Constable of Weston.*

MARCH 26, 1917.

A true copy of the Warrant and Officer's return.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

### **Primary Constitutional Convention, April 3, 1917.**

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Weston, qualified to vote in Primaries, met in the Town-hall in said town on Tuesday, the third day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and were called to order at 4 o'clock P.M. by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Presiding Election Officer, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants.

In pursuance of and in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth in relation to elections, the Town-hall had been fitted

up as a polling place, a space railed off, and ten shelves or compartments provided for the use and convenience of the voters to examine and mark their ballots. Before the opening of the polls, the package of cards of instructions, specimen ballots, etc., furnished by the Commonwealth had been opened, and the same posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws relating thereto.

Robert H. Trask and Thomas W. Scott, whom the Selectmen previously had appointed Ballot Clerks, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties. Cornelius M. Kelliher, Election Officer, was sworn by the Presiding Election Officer.

The ballot-box was opened publicly by the Election Officers, who ascertained by personal examination, and publicly showed, that the same was empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0), and the box immediately thereafter locked.

A package supplied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, marked "Town of Weston 700 Ballots" was delivered to the Ballot Clerks by the Presiding Election Officer, who took their receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks, who were provided with a list of the registered voters of the town, stationed themselves at the entrance to the polling place.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes.

At eight o'clock P.M. the polls were declared closed.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Ballot Clerks in the distribution of ballots was 171.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Selectmen in the reception of ballots was 171.

At the close of the polls the automatic register of the ballot-box read 171. Upon opening the ballot-box 171 ballots were taken therefrom. These ballots were sorted, counted, and recorded, and declaration thereof made in open town meeting by Alfred L. Cutting, Presiding Election Officer, and were for the following Delegates at Large to Constitutional Convention and Delegates to Constitutional Convention Thirteenth Congressional District:

## DELEGATES TO CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION.

## DELEGATES AT LARGE.

Charles Francis Adams of Fairhaven Hill, Concord . . . . .	145 votes
George W. Anderson of 219 Fisher Avenue, Brookline . . . . .	44 "
William G. Andrew of 33 Beacon Street, Somerville . . . . .	19 "
Albert S. Apsey of 150 Brattle Street, Cambridge . . . . .	82 "
Charles J. Barton of 85 Meridian Street, Melrose . . . . .	79 "
John L. Bates of 1537 Beacon Street, Brookline . . . . .	124 "
Addison P. Beardsley of 3 Copeland Street, Boston . . . . .	19 "
William H. Brooks of 171 Pine Street, Holyoke . . . . .	76 "
Walter A. Buie of 11 Hamilton Street, Boston . . . . .	13 "
Harvey S. Chase of 1033 Beacon Street, Brookline . . . . .	30 "
Charles F. Choate, Jr. of Main Street, Southborough . . . . .	112 "
Charles W. Clifford of 78 Orchard Street, New Bedford . . . . .	50 "
George W. Coleman of 177 West Brookline Street, Boston . . . . .	38 "
Louis A. Coolidge of 27 Canton Avenue, Milton . . . . .	96 "
John W. Cummings of 533 Locust Street, Fall River . . . . .	82 "
Edwin U. Curtis of 131 Bay State Road, Boston . . . . .	100 "
Samuel R. Cutler of 43 Cushman Avenue, Revere . . . . .	12 "
Arthur W. DeGoosh of 224 Newbury Street, Boston . . . . .	3 "
Daniel E. Denny of 127 West Street, Worcester . . . . .	10 "
Daniel R. Donovan of 45 Holyoke Street, Springfield . . . . .	16 "
George H. Doty of Trapelo Road, Waltham . . . . .	115 "
Hugh P. Drysdale of 48 Cherry Street, North Adams . . . . .	10 "
Frank E. Dunbar of 285 Andover Street, Lowell . . . . .	60 "
Samuel J. Elder of Cambridge Street, Winchester . . . . .	107 "
Wilmot R. Evans, Jr. of 31 Hancock Street, Everett . . . . .	65 "
Eugene N. Foss of 11 Revere Street, Boston . . . . .	39 "
Harry A. Garfield of Williamstown . . . . .	44 "
Ralph W. Gloag of 774 East Broadway, Boston . . . . .	1 "
Gurdon W. Gordon of 90 Dartmouth Street, Springfield . . . . .	15 "
Matthew Hale of 9 Charles River Square, Boston . . . . .	53 "
Arthur D. Hill of 17 Brimmer Street, Boston . . . . .	35 "
Walter S. Hutchins of 87 Conway Street, Greenfield . . . . .	12 "
Patrick H. Jennings of 749 Dorchester Avenue, Boston . . . . .	15 "
Lewis J. Johnson of 90 Raymond Street, Cambridge . . . . .	21 "
Abbott Lawrence Lowell of 17 Quincy Street, Cambridge . . . . .	106 "
Nathan Matthews of 456 Beacon Street, Boston . . . . .	93 "
James T. Moriarty of 280 Dorchester Street, Boston . . . . .	16 "
Joseph C. Pelletier of 849 Beacon Street, Boston . . . . .	28 "
Josiah Quincy of 4 Charles River Square, Boston . . . . .	50 "
Clarence W. Rowley of 38 Leamington Road, Boston . . . . .	7 "

John Weaver Sherman of 175 Dartmouth Street, Boston . . . . .	12 votes
James A. Stiles of Highland Street, Gardner . . . . .	12 "
Moorfield Storey of Trapelo Road, Lincoln . . . . .	83 "
Charles B. Strecker of 400 Commonwealth Avenue, Boston . . . . .	16 "
Wendell Phillips Thoré of 2 Westland Avenue, Boston . . . . .	5 "
Whitfield L. Tuck of 9 Winthrop Street, Winchester . . . . .	11 "
Joseph Walker of 108 Upland Road, Brookline . . . . .	45 "
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg . . . . .	45 "
Robert M. Washburn of 42 Elm Street, Worcester . . . . .	42 "
Sherman L. Whipple of Warren Street, Brookline . . . . .	52 "
Lombard Williams of 950 High Street, Dedham . . . . .	21 "
George H. Wrenn of 421 Maple Street, Springfield . . . . .	17 "
Blanks . . . . .	333 "
	—
	2,736 votes

## THIRTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

Frederick L. Anderson of 169 Homer Street, Newton . . . . .	37 votes
Charles S. Bird, Jr. of Bird Avenue, Walpole . . . . .	58 "
George E. Brock of 39 Lanark Road, Boston . . . . .	17 "
Courtenay Crocker of Sudbury . . . . .	55 "
Daniel J. Daley of 247 Walnut Street, Brookline . . . . .	16 "
Henry S. Dennison of Edmands Street, Framingham . . . . .	49 "
Frederick P. Fish of 9 Prescott Street, Brookline . . . . .	42 "
Nathaniel A. Francis of 35 Davis Avenue, Brookline . . . . .	13 "
Walton A. Green of South Avenue, Weston . . . . .	133 "
Walter Hartstone of 15 Orkney Road, Boston . . . . .	4 "
Robert Luce of 33 Harris Street, Waltham . . . . .	92 "
Samuel L. Powers of 96 Arlington Street, Newton . . . . .	56 "
Scattering . . . . .	1 "
Blanks . . . . .	111 "
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	684 votes

While the polls were open, the ballot-box and the voting list used in connection therewith were in charge of Alfred L. Cutting, Herbert E. Tyler, and Cornelius M. Kelliher.

In the canvassing and counting of votes the regular Election Officers were assisted by Henry A. Wheeler, William O. Kenney, Jeremiah Sliney, and John Cronin, who previously had been

appointed Tellers by the Selectmen and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The business of the meeting being finished, the returns were filled up, and signed by the Town Clerk *pro tem.*

All ballots cast at the election were enclosed in boxes and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The tally sheets used in counting the votes were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The voting lists used in connection with the distribution of ballots and the deposit thereof in the ballot-box were certified by the officers who had them in charge, and were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

All unused ballots were enclosed in boxes and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The sealed and endorsed envelopes above mentioned, together with the ballot-box, the ballot-box keys, and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk *pro tem.* by the Presiding Election Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election followed and caused to be followed the "Laws relating to Elections," as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At 10.45 o'clock P.M. the meeting was declared dissolved by the Presiding Election Officer.

A true record.

Attest:

**ALFRED L. CUTTING,**

*Town Clerk pro tem.*

APRIL 13, 1917.

**ALFRED L. CUTTING, Esq.,**  
Town Clerk *pro tempore*,  
Weston, Mass.

Dear Sir:—I hereby give notice that the Selectmen have made the following appointments under the provisions of the Revised Laws of the Commonwealth:—

*Superintendent of Streets*, Percy Warren.

*Chief of Police*, Patrick J. McAuliffe.

*Police Officers.*

Joseph P. Adams.	Frank C. Mulock.
Frank H. Allison.	William G. Renwick.
Thomas H. Bassett.	Charles H. Sadler.
Benjamin S. Blake.	Harry F. Warren.
John Campbell.	Percy Warren.
Arthur M. Cheney.	Ephraim A. Desmond.
Brenton H. Dickson, Jr.	William H. Hill.
John M. Farrell.	Leroy A. McLain.
Henry A. Grimwood.	Swan Norden.
George W. Henderson.	

*Fire Engineers*, Benjamin R. Parker, Brenton H. Dickson, Jr., Arthur L. Vittum.

*Registrar of Voters*, Andrew Fiske, Democrat, for term of three years from May 1, 1917.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures*, Charles A. Freeman.

*Public Weighers*, George W. Cutting, George W. Brodrick and George O. Hastings.

*Weighers of Coal*, George W. Cuttings, George O. Hastings and George W. Cutting, Jr.

*Weigher of Stone and Gravel*, Walter Kirwin.

*Moth Superintendent*, Edward P. Ripley.

*Inspector of Animals*, Edward Jennings.

*Inspector of Buildings*, Frank C. Mulock.

*Inspector of Wires*, Percy Warren.

*Bird Warden*, Benjamin S. Blake.

*Burial Agent*, Charles A. Freeman.

*Forest Warden*, Benjamin R. Parker.

Yours very truly,

B. L. YOUNG.

Received and recorded April 14, 1917.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

On April 9, 1917, the Selectmen granted permits to transport intoxicating liquors into the town of Weston for one year from May 1, 1917, to the following:—

The American Express Co., Weston.  
 The National Express Co., Kendal Green.  
 The National Express Co., Stony Brook.

Received and recorded April 14, 1917.

*ALFRED L. CUTTING, Town Clerk pro tempore.*

On April 9, 1917, the Selectmen granted junk licenses to

Gadalie Chused, 198 Felton St., Waltham.  
 Joseph A. Abramovitz, 177 Newton St., Waltham.  
 Joe Roiter, 16 Maguire Court, Newtonville.  
 Maurice Roiter, 416 Watertown St., Newton.

Received and recorded April 14, 1917.

*ALFRED L. CUTTING, Town Clerk pro tempore.*

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
 MIDDLESEX SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Weston.* GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in elections to meet in the Town-hall, in said town, Tuesday the first day of May, 1917 at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the following purposes:—

To bring in their votes to the election officers for delegates to the Constitutional Convention:—

Sixteen Delegates-at-large to the Constitutional Convention.

Four delegates to the Constitutional Convention from the Thirteenth Congressional District.

One delegate to the Constitutional Convention from the Thirteenth Middlesex Representative District.

All of the above delegates to be voted for on one ballot. The polls will be opened at twelve o'clock M. and may be closed at eight o'clock P.M.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the town; namely, at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green Post-office, and on the town bulletin-board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton Street and Park Road, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-first day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventeen.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,

*Selectmen of the Town of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Constable.*

APRIL, 1917.

A true copy of the Warrant and Officer's return.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

### Constitutional Convention Election.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Weston, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Town-hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the first day of May, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and were called to order at twelve of the clock, noon, by Herbert E. Tyler, Presiding Election Officer and member of the Board of Selectmen, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants.

In pursuance of and in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth in relation to elections, the lower Town-hall had been fitted up as a polling-place, a space railed off, and ten shelves or compartments provided for the use and convenience of the voters to examine and mark their ballots. Before the opening of the polls, the package of cards of instructions, specimen ballots, etc., furnished by the Commonwealth, had been opened, and the same posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws relating thereto.

Cornelius M. Kelliher and Geo. Faber were appointed Election Officers and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer, to the faithful performance of their duties.

Andrew Fiske and Thomas W. Scott, whom the Selectmen previously had appointed Ballot Clerks, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The ballot-box to be used at elections was opened publicly by the election officers, who ascertained, by personal examination, and publicly showed, that the same was empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0), and the box immediately thereafter locked. The key of the box was delivered to the Presiding Election Officer.

A package supplied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, marked "Town of Weston 700 Ballots" was delivered to the Ballot Clerks by the Presiding Election Officer, who took their receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks, who were provided with a

list of the registered voters of the town, stationed themselves at the entrance to the polling place.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes.

At eight o'clock P.M. the polls were declared closed.

Upon four occasions, while the polls were open, the ballot-box was opened and ballots taken therefrom for counting, it being deemed advisable so to do in the unanimous judgment of the Presiding Election Officer and the Town Clerk *pro tem.* The times of thus opening the ballot-box and the number of ballots taken therefrom were as follows:—

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Ballot Clerks was two hundred and fifty.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Election Officers in the reception of ballots was two hundred and fifty.

At the close of the polls the automatic register of the ballot-box read two hundred and fifty. Upon opening the ballot-box fifty ballots were taken therefrom, which, together with the two hundred previously taken therefrom, made the total number of ballots cast two hundred and fifty. These ballots were sorted, counted, and recorded, and declaration thereof made in open town meeting by Alfred L. Cutting, Town Clerk *pro tempore*, and were for the following delegates to the Constitutional Convention:

## DELEGATES AT LARGE.

Charles Francis Adams of Concord . . . . .	215 votes
George W. Anderson of Brookline . . . . .	96 "
Albert S. Apsey of Cambridge . . . . .	145 "
Charles J. Barton of Melrose . . . . .	137 "
John L. Bates of Brookline . . . . .	181 "
William H. Brooks of Holyoke . . . . .	141 "

Walter A. Buie of Boston . . . . .	23 votes
Charles F. Choate, Jr. of Southborough . . . . .	178 "
Charles W. Clifford of New Bedford . . . . .	131 "
George W. Coleman of Boston . . . . .	73 "
Louis A. Coolidge of Milton . . . . .	170 "
John W. Cummings of Fall River . . . . .	122 "
Edwin U. Curtis of Boston . . . . .	166 "
Daniel R. Donovan of Springfield . . . . .	37 "
Frank E. Dunbar of Lowell . . . . .	114 "
Samuel J. Elder of Winchester . . . . .	164 "
Wilmot R. Evans, Jr. of Everett . . . . .	121 "
Eugene N. Foss of Boston . . . . .	75 "
Matthew Hale of Boston . . . . .	99 "
Arthur D. Hill of Boston . . . . .	72 "
Patrick H. Jennings of Boston . . . . .	32 "
Abbott Lawrence Lowell of Cambridge . . . . .	154 "
Nathan Matthews of Boston . . . . .	152 "
James T. Moriarty of Boston . . . . .	28 "
Joseph C. Pelletier of Boston . . . . .	54 "
Josiah Quincy of Boston . . . . .	66 "
Moorfield Storey of Lincoln . . . . .	181 "
Charles B. Strecker of Boston . . . . .	31 "
Joseph Walker of Brookline . . . . .	98 "
David I. Walsh of Fitchburg . . . . .	80 "
Sherman L. Whipple of Brookline . . . . .	92 "
George H. Wrenn of Springfield . . . . .	44 "
Scattering . . . . .	3 "
Blanks . . . . .	525 "
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Total . . . . .	4,000 "

## THIRTEENTH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT.

Frederick L. Anderson of Newton . . . . .	114 votes
Charles S. Bird, Jr. of Walpole . . . . .	89 "
Daniel J. Daley of Brookline . . . . .	21 "
Henry S. Dennison of Framingham . . . . .	59 "
Frederick P. Fish of Brookline . . . . .	109 "
Walton A. Green of Weston . . . . .	215 "
Robert Luce of Waltham . . . . .	169 "
Samuel L. Powers of Newton . . . . .	127 "
Scattering . . . . .	1 "
Blanks . . . . .	96 "
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	1,000 "

## THIRTEENTH MIDDLESEX REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT.

Arthur T. Johnson of Weston . . . . .	199 votes
William Wheeler of Concord . . . . .	37 "
Blanks . . . . .	14 "
Total . . . . .	250 "

While the polls were open, the ballot-box and the voting list used in connection therewith were in charge of Alfred L. Cutting, Herbert E. Tyler, Cornelius M. Kelliher, and George Faber.

In the canvassing and counting of votes the regular Election Officers were assisted by Henry A. Wheeler, Wm. O. Kenney, Fredk. S. Kenney, Jeremiah Sliney, and John Cronin, who previously had been appointed Tellers by the Selectmen and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The business of the meeting being finished, the returns were filled up, and signed by the Town Clerk *pro tem.*

All ballots cast at the election were enclosed in envelopes and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The tally sheets used in counting the votes were enclosed in an envelope, and properly sealed and endorsed.

The voting lists used in connection with the distribution of ballots and the deposit thereof in the ballot-box were certified by the officers who had them in charge, and were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The sealed and endorsed envelopes above mentioned, together with the ballot-box, the ballot-box keys, and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk *pro tem.* by the Presiding Election Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election followed and caused to be followed the "Laws relating to Elections," as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At 9.45 o'clock P.M. the meeting was declared dissolved by the Presiding Election Officer.

A true record.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

MAY 7th, 1917.

License is hereby granted to George A. Thurston, Drabbington Lodge, Kendal Green, Massachusetts, to be an inn-holder for one year from May 1st, 1917.

Board of Selectmen,

By ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Chairman.*

Received and recorded May 7th, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

On May 7, 1917, the Selectmen granted Junk Licenses to

A. Holicker, Waltham.

Philip Lavine, 22 Franklin St., Waltham.

Sam Levine, 201 Felton St., Waltham.

Harry Wolfe, 118 Charles St., Waltham.

The following employees of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board were appointed Special Police, to serve without pay:—

John Ralston, James Bolton, Arlo W. Ames, W. Clifford Ames, James Kehoe, James J. Kehoe, and Patrick J. Connors.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded May 7, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

On May 22, 1917, the Selectmen granted a permit to transport intoxicating Liquors into the town of Weston for the period of one year from May 1st 1917, to Johnson & Keyes Express Co., doing business at Lexington St., Auburndale, in the city of Newton, Massachusetts.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded May 22, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MIDDLESEX, SS.

At a meeting of the County Commissioners for the County of Middlesex, holden at Cambridge, within and for said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

The inhabitants of Weston, in said County, by their petition —among other matters—pray that the state road at Bigelow's Corner, and the road leading to Tower Hill station in Wayland, may be relocated at the junction thereof, so far as the same are in the town of Weston, as will more fully appear, reference being had to the petition filed and of record in the case.

This petition was presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting holden at Lowell, on the first Tuesday of September A.D. 1916, when and where notice was ordered given to all persons and corporations interested therein of the time and place when and where said Commissioners would meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties as by their order of notice on file and of record will more fully appear.

And at the time of said view and hearing, no person interested objecting, and said relocation being adjudged of common convenience and necessity, said Commissioners proceeded, without further notice, to relocate said highway as prayed for in said petition. And thence said petition has been continued to this time.

And now the said Commissioners make return of their proceedings in the premises as follows: said Commissioners having given notice, as the law directs, met at the Commissioners' room at the Court House in Cambridge on the twenty-seventh day of January, 1917, and by adjournment on the premises on the twenty-third day of April, 1917, when and where the parties appeared.

The premises having been examined, and the parties fully heard, said Commissioners proceeded to relocate said highway so

far as the same is in the town of Weston, and the following description is a true description of the curved line joining the northerly side of the state road and the easterly line of the road to Tower Hill station.

The said line begins at a drill hole in the stone wall on the northerly side of the state highway as shown by a plan to which reference is hereinafter made, said drill hole being about 52 feet easterly of a stone bound in the northerly line of the state highway. Thence from said drill hole on a curve of 46.87 feet bearing to the right to the town line between Wayland and Weston; the said curved line continues in the town of Wayland a total distance from said drill hole of 89.01 feet to a stone bound in the line established as the easterly line of said road in the town of Wayland.

The land included between the northerly line of the state highway and the curved line above described and the town line between Weston and Wayland, said parcel being in the town of Weston is taken for widening the highway.

The above description is intended to conform to a plan dated 1917, on which the above described line is shown in red.

The inhabitants of said town of Weston shall on or before the first day of January, 1919, take possession of the parcel of land described for the purpose of improving the highway. The wall shall be set back to the curved line, and the space thus taken graded for highway purposes, to conform to the highway as graded in Wayland.

And said Commissioners having considered the question of damages sustained by the owner of land thus taken, estimate the same as follows, to wit:—

Paul Clifford, Forty Dollars, \$40.00

The above damages, together with all damages, costs, and expenses which any party may by legal process obtain are assessed upon said town of Weston.

And said Commissioners declare the highway as thus relocated a public highway.

In these proceedings, Alfred L. Cutting of Weston, a County Commissioner, took no part, and the other members of said Board gave notice to Frederic P. Barnes of Newton, an Associate Commissioner, who acted in place of Mr. Cutting.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, WE, the said Commissioners have hereunto set our hands this 26th day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

ERSON B. BARLOW.  
WALTER C. WARDWELL.

FREDERIC P. BARNES,  
*Associate Commissioner.*

A true copy of record.

Attest:

WM. C. DILLINGHAM,  
*Clerk.*

A true copy.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tem.*

JULY 9th 1917.

Glassman & Berman Corp., 128 Charles St., Waltham, are hereby licensed to collect Junk in the Town of Weston for one year from the 1st of May 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded July 9th 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

JULY 9th 1917.

Clarence Charles, 105 Harvard St., Waltham, Massachusetts, is hereby licensed to collect Junk in the town of Weston for one year from the 1st of May 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded July 9th 1917,

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

JUNE 11th 1917.

License is hereby granted to Isaac Komiensky, 98 Charles St., Waltham, Massachusetts, to collect Junk in the town of Weston, for one year from May 1, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded June 11, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

JUNE 11, 1917.

The Selectmen have appointed the following to serve as Police Officers without pay until the next annual town meeting:—

Edward L. Murphy, 57 Rice St., North Cambridge. Sworn June 9.  
Leo D. Dynan, Inman St., Cambridge. Sworn.  
Herbert E. Halliday, 291 Columbia St., Cambridge. Sworn April 21, T. C.  
John W. Donnelly, Peters St., Cambridge.  
Fred V. Smith, Auburndale.  
Alvin L. Dudley.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman of the Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded June 11, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

AUGUST 2, 1917.

Mr. G. CUTTING,  
Town Clerk, Weston, Mass.

*Dear Mr. Cutting:*—The Board of Health appointments for the year 1917 are as follows:—

ORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD.

Dr. F. Van Nüys, Chairman.

Mr. F. Allison, Secretary.

Mr. G. Faber.

APPOINTMENTS.

Mr. H. E. Berger, Agent and Clerk.

Mr. H. E. Berger, Bacteriologist and Chemist and Milk Inspector.

Mr. T. F. Harris, Plumbing Inspector.

Mr. E. L. Oberholser, Sanitary Inspector and Collector of Milk Samples.

Mr. Alfred and Mr. George Cutting, Special Agents to issue Burial Permits.

Mr. G. E. Trask, Inspector of Slaughtering.

Undertakers' Licenses were granted to the following:—

F. H. Upham.

P. J. McAuliffe.

F. G. Cooper.

Permit to collect and feed garbage:—

Amri Barker.

Respectfully,

H. E. BERGER, Jr.

Received and recorded August 3, 1917.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

Jury List for the Town of Weston, adopted for 1917-18.

Name.	Residence.	Occupation.
Adams, Warren P., Jr.	Silver Hill Road	Accountant
Brotchie, Andrew K.	Central Ave.	Grocer
Brown, Albert L.	North Ave.	Organ Builder

<i>Name.</i>	<i>Residence.</i>	<i>Occupation.</i>
Brock, Eli	Ash St.	Farmer
Cronin, James B.	Concord Road	Farmer
Dickson, Brenton H., Jr.	Love Lane	Cotton Broker
Dorgan, John P.	Wellesley St.	Gardener
Foote, George A.	Concord Road	Ice Dealer
Fallon, John W.	South Ave.	Foreman
Hagar, Jacob F.	Central Ave.	Farmer
Hersum, Arthur L.	North Ave.	Plumber
Jones, Ernest J.	Concord Road	Farmer
Jones, J. Wesley	Highland St.	Farmer
Loker, Andrew G.	Winter St.	Farmer
Ripley, Edward P.	Webster Road	Forester
Sherburne, Frank A.	Summer St.	Clerk
Smith, Charles E.	Sudbury Road	Farmer
Upham, Frank H.	Ash St.	Farmer
Vittum, Darius B.	Lexington St.	Farmer
Welcome, George H.	Wellesley St.	Foreman
Young, Fred	Oak St.	Foreman

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded October 5, 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

JULY 25th, 1917.

License is hereby granted to

Platnick Baker, 117 School St., Waltham,

to collect Junk in the town of Weston for one year from May 1st 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Chairman Board of Selectmen.*

Received and recorded July 26th 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

**Primary for State Election, September 25, 1917.**

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
MIDDLESEX SS.

*To either of the Constables of the Town of Weston.*      GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town who are qualified to vote in Primaries to meet in the Town Hall, in said town, Tuesday, the Twenty-fifth day of September, 1917, at 6.30 o'clock A.M., for the following purposes:—

To bring in their votes to the Primary Officers for the Nomination of Candidates of Political Parties for the following offices:—

Governor	for this Commonwealth.
Lieutenant-Governor	" " "
Secretary of the Commonwealth	" " "
Treasurer and Receiver-General	" " "
Auditor of the Commonwealth	" " "
Attorney-General	" " "
Councillor	" 6th Councillor District.
Senator	" 1st Senatorial District.
1 Representative in General Court for 13th Representative District.	
County Commissioner for Middlesex County.	

And the election of the following officers:—

District Member of the State Committee, for each political party for the 1st Senatorial District.

Members of the Democratic Town Committee.

9 Members of the Republican Town Committee.

Delegates to State Conventions of Political Parties.

All the above candidates and officers are to be voted for upon one ballot. The polls will be open from 6.30 A.M. to 6 P.M.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof seven days at least before the time of said meeting as directed by vote of the town. Hereof fail not and make return of this warrant with your doings thereon at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this tenth day of September, A.D. 1917.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Selectmen of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within Warrant I have notified and warned the Inhabitants of the Town of Weston according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Constable of Weston.*

SEPT. 12, 1917.

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the town of Weston, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Town-hall in said town on Tuesday, the twenty-fifth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, and were called to order at 6.30 o'clock A.M. by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and Presiding Election Officer, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants.

In pursuance of and in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth in relation to elections, the Town-hall had been fitted up as a polling place, a space railed off, and ten shelves or compartments provided for the use and convenience of the voters to examine and mark their ballots. Before the opening of the polls,

the package of cards of instructions, specimen ballots, etc., furnished by the Commonwealth had been opened, and the same posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws relating thereto.

Andrew Fiske and Thomas W. Scott, whom the Selectmen previously had appointed Ballot Clerks, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties. Cornelius M. Kelliher and Geo. Faber, Election Officers, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer.

The ballot-box was opened publicly by the Election Officers, who ascertained by personal examination, and publicly showed, that the same was empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0), and the box immediately thereafter locked.

Two packages supplied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, marked "Town of Weston 500 Republican Ballots 500 Democratic Ballots" were delivered to the Ballot Clerks by the Presiding Election Officer, who took their receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks, who were provided with a list of the registered voters of the town, stationed themselves at the entrance to the polling place.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes.

At six o'clock P.M. the polls were declared closed.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Ballot Clerks in the distribution of ballots was one hundred and two.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Election Officers in the reception of ballots was one hundred and two.

At the close of the polls the automatic register of the ballot-box read one hundred and two. Upon opening the ballot-box one hundred and two ballots were taken therefrom. These ballots were sorted, counted, and recorded, and declaration thereof made in open town meeting by Alfred L. Cutting, Presiding Election Officer, and were for the following State and County Officers, State Committee, Delegates to State Convention, and Town Committee, viz.:—

## REPUBLICAN.

## GOVERNOR.

Grafton D. Cushing of 20 Chestnut St., Boston . . . . .	18
Samuel W. McCall of Myopia Road, Winchester . . . . .	71
Blanks . . . . .	0

## LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Calvin Coolidge of 21 Massasoit St., Northampton . . . . .	89
Blanks . . . . .	0

## SECRETARY.

Albert P. Langtry of 40 Chestnut St., Springfield . . . . .	87
Blanks . . . . .	2

## TREASURER.

Charles L. Burrill of 14 Somerset St., Boston . . . . .	85
H. Merriam . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	3

## AUDITOR.

Charles Bruce of 8 Forest Ave., Everett . . . . .	34
Alonzo B. Cook of 19 Parkview St., Boston . . . . .	51
Blanks . . . . .	4

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Henry C. Attwill of 59 Ocean Ave., Lynn . . . . .	77
Conrad W. Crooker of 195 Winthrop Road, Brookline . . . . .	9
Blanks . . . . .	3

## COUNCILLOR—SIXTH DISTRICT.

James G. Harris of 90 Wyman St., Medford . . . . .	85
Blanks . . . . .	4

## SENATOR—FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

James E. MacPherson of 30 Warren Road, Framingham . . . . .	88
Blanks . . . . .	1

## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT—THIRTEENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

Benjamin Loring Young of Newton St., Weston . . . . .	88
Blanks . . . . .	1

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER—MIDDLESEX.

Walter C. Wardwell of 465 Broadway, Cambridge . . . . .	88
Blanks . . . . .	1

## STATE COMMITTEE—FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

William F. Garcelon of 35 Church St., Newton . . . . .	86
Blanks . . . . .	3

## DELEGATES TO STATE CONVENTION.

Edward P. Ripley of Webster Road . . . . .	88
Herbert E. Tyler of Lexington St. . . . .	88
Brenton H. Dickson, Jr. of Highland St. . . . .	89
Blanks . . . . .	2

## TOWN COMMITTEE.

Frank H. Allison of Newton St. . . . .	81
Warren P. Adams, Jr. of Silver Hill Road . . . . .	83
Joseph P. Adams of Winter St. . . . .	81
Alfred L. Cutting of Maple Road . . . . .	83
Brenton H. Dickson, Jr. of Highland St. . . . .	82
Edward P. Ripley of Webster Road . . . . .	82
Herbert E. Tyler of Lexington St. . . . .	82
Robert H. Trask of North Ave. . . . .	82
Benjamin L. Young of Newton St. . . . .	82
T. W. Scott . . . . .	1

## DEMOCRATIC.

## GOVERNOR.

Frederick W. Mansfield of 15 Elm Hill Ave., Boston . . . . .	11
Blanks . . . . .	2

## LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

Matthew Hale, 9 Charles River Sq., Boston . . . . .	9
Blanks . . . . .	4

## SECRETARY.

Arthur B. Reed, 443 Adams St., Abington . . . . .	8
Blanks . . . . .	5

## TREASURER.

Humphrey O'Sullivan, 105 Butterfield St., Lowell	8
Blanks	5

## AUDITOR.

Elzear Choquette, 8 Robeson St., New Bedford	8
Blanks	5

## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Josiah Quincy, 4 Charles River Sq., Boston	8
Blanks	5

## COUNCILLOR—SIXTH DISTRICT.

Blanks	13
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## SENATOR—FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

Blanks	13
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## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT—THIRTEENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

David G. Sheehan of 22 Baker Ave., Concord	8
Blanks	5

## COUNTY COMMISSIONER—MIDDLESEX.

Blanks	13
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## STATE COMMITTEE—FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

Daniel O'Connell of 311 Nevada St., Newton	9
Blanks	4

## DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENTION.

John J. Cronin	6
Blanks	7

## TOWN COMMITTEE.

John J. Cronin	5
C. M. Kelliher	7
J. Sliney	7
John H. Sweeney	7
Wm. A. Donovan	7
Michael Conroy	2
Charles Dooley	5
Blanks	38

While the polls were open, the ballot-box and the voting list used in connection therewith were in charge of Alfred L. Cutting, Geo. Faber, Herbert E. Tyler, and Cornelius M. Kelliher.

In the canvassing and counting of votes the regular Election Officers were assisted by Henry A. Wheeler, Warren P. Adams, Jeremiah Sliney, and John Cronin, who previously had been appointed Tellers by the Selectmen and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The business of the meeting being finished, the returns were filled up, and signed by the Town Clerk *pro tem.*

All ballots cast at the election were enclosed in boxes and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The tally sheets used in counting the votes were enclosed in an envelope, and properly sealed and endorsed.

The voting lists used in connection with the distribution of ballots and the deposit thereof in the ballot-box were certified by the officers who had them in charge, and were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

All unused ballots were enclosed in boxes and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The sealed and endorsed envelopes above mentioned, together with the ballot-box, the ballot-box keys, and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk *pro tem.* by the Presiding Election Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election followed and caused to be followed the "Laws relating to Elections," as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At 7.50 o'clock P.M. the meeting was declared dissolved by the Presiding Election Officer.

A true record.

Attest:

ALFRED L. CUTTING,

*Town Clerk pro tem.*

**Special Town Meeting, October 18, 1917.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,  
MIDDLESEX, SS.

*To any Constable of the Town of Weston.*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said Town qualified by law to vote in Town affairs to meet in the Town Hall in said Town on Thursday, the eighteenth day of October, at eight of the clock in the afternoon, for the following purposes, to wit:—

ARTICLE 1. To choose a Moderator.

ARTICLE 2. To receive the report of the Town Improvement Committee, appointed under Article 7 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting held May 27, 1915, with power to act for the Town in connection with the construction, equipment and furnishing of the proposed new Town Hall, and to act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To determine what action the Town will take relative to the dedication, opening, use and maintenance of the new Town Hall; to appropriate such money as may be necessary therefor and to act anything relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To determine what action the Town will take relative to the maintenance or to the sale or other disposition of the old Town Hall.

ARTICLE 5. To determine whether the Town will vote to make certain appropriations for municipal purposes out of surplus funds now in the Treasury not exceeding the sums set forth in the following schedule:—

Education, Schools:

Fuel and Light . . . . .	\$2,060
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .	700
Other Expenses . . . . .	100
Tuition of Children . . . . .	340
Municipal Buildings, Town Hall . . . . .	1,500
War Appropriations under St. 1917 c. 264 . . . . .	500
Highways and Bridges, General Maintenance . . . . .	500
Total . . . . .	<u>\$5,700</u>

ARTICLE 6. To determine whether the Town will authorize the Selectmen to employ an executive clerk for the several Town officers, Committees and Departments; to appropriate money therefor and to act anything relative thereto.

And you are to serve this Warrant by posting three (3) attested copies thereof, according to the vote of the Town, namely, at the Town House, at the Kendal Green Post Office and on the Town Bulletin Board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton Street and Park Road seven (7) days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this Warrant with your doings thereon to the Selectmen at the time and place of said meeting.

Given under our hands this eighth day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventeen.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,

*Selectmen of the Town of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within warrant I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the Town of Weston according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Constable of Weston.*

Oct. 10, 1917.

October 18, 1917. Pursuant to the foregoing warrant, a meeting of said inhabitants qualified as aforesaid was held at the time and place appointed.

The meeting was called to order by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who read the warrant. In the absence of the Town Clerk, Brenton H. Dickson, Jr., was elected Town Clerk *pro tem.*, by written ballot with the use of the check list. Sworn by Benj. Loring Young, Justice of the Peace.

ARTICLE 1. Andrew Fiske was elected Moderator by a written ballot with the use of the check list.

ARTICLE 2. Final report of the Town Improvement Committee read by Frank W. Knowlton, Sec.

*Voted:* That the report of the Town Improvement Committee appointed under Article V of the warrant for the Special Town Meeting held February 15, 1916, be and hereby is accepted and the Committee be and hereby is discharged.

The Committee consisting of B. L. Young, A. L. Cutting, and S. C. Bennett, appointed at the Town Meeting of February 15, 1916, to present certain resolutions, made its report, which was oral in part.

The Committee recalled to the attention of the meeting the fact that at the meeting in February, 1916, a letter was read from Mr. Sears in which he stated that if the town then decided to adopt the plans for a new town hall he should be glad to contribute \$20,000.00 toward the cost of the building. The Committee also reminded the meeting that the town had gratefully accepted at that time the offer of Mr. Sears and had appointed a committee to draw up resolutions of thanks. The Committee further stated that Mr. Sears, in addition to giving liberally of his time and thought to the work, had given several thousand dollars in addition to the \$20,000.00 named in his earlier offer, and the Committee then offered the following votes, both of which were passed unanimously, the voters expressing their assent by rising:—

*Voted:* That the inhabitants of Weston in Town Meeting assembled express their deep sense of gratitude to their fellow-townsman, Horace S. Sears, for his inestimable help in all matters connected with the development of the Town Common and the construction of the new Town Hall, for his generous gifts of time, money, and equipment, and, above all, for the splendid example he has set to us and to posterity of public spirit and service to the Town; and further,

*Voted:* That in grateful recognition of the service of Horace S. Sears, the main auditorium of the new Town Hall be hereafter

known as Sears Hall. This motion was passed unanimously by a rising vote.

ARTICLE 3. *Voted:* That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized and empowered to make such plans as seem to them suitable for the dedication, opening, use, and maintenance of the new Town Hall; any expense connected therewith to be paid from the general appropriation for Municipal Buildings—Town Hall.

ARTICLE 4. *Voted:* That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized in their absolute discretion to maintain until the next annual Town Meeting, or before that time, to sell at public or private sale, tear down, or otherwise dispose of, the old Town Hall; all expenses connected with the maintenance or with its sale or other disposition of the building to be met from the general appropriation for Municipal Buildings—Town Hall.

ARTICLE 5. *Voted:* To make the following appropriations for municipal purposes out of the surplus funds now in the treasury:—

Education, School:

Fuel and Light . . . . .	\$2060.00
Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds . . . . .	700.00
Other Expenses . . . . .	100.00
Tuition of Children . . . . .	340.00
Municipal Buildings, Town Hall . . . . .	1500.00
War Appropriations under St. 1917, c. 264 . . . . .	500.00
Highways and Bridges, General Maintenance . . . . .	500.00
	_____
	\$5700.00

This vote was passed unanimously at 8.33 P.M.

ARTICLE 6. *Voted:* That the Selectmen be and hereby are authorized to employ an executive clerk, to act for the several town officers, committees, and departments, and the sum of \$100.00 be appropriated for salary of said Clerk. Also on motion of John A. Remick, Jr., voted:—

*Resolved* that we, the inhabitants of Weston in Town Meeting assembled, express our hearty approval of the action of the Town Treasurer and Selectmen in subscribing from the Merriam Fund

for the Silent Poor of the Town, the sum of \$1000.00 towards the 2nd Liberty Loan of the United States, and we pledge ourselves as American Citizens to do all that lies in our power to make the Liberty Loan a great and patriotic success.

At 8.45 P.M. Benj. L. Young moved that the meeting now dissolve. Passed in affirmative, and the meeting accordingly dissolved.

A true record.

Attest:

BRENTON H. DICKSON, Jr.,  
*Town Clerk pro tem.*

WESTON, October 19, 1917.

### **Annual State Election, November 6, 1917.**

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS  
MIDDLESEX, ss.

*To any Constable of the Town of Weston.*

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth, you are hereby required to notify and warn all the inhabitants of the said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town-hall, in said town, on the sixth day of November next, at six hours and thirty minutes of the clock in the forenoon; at which time the polls will be open, and may be closed at four hours of the clock in the afternoon, to bring in to the subscribers their votes for the following officers, each to be designated and all to be voted for on one ballot, namely:—

Governor; Lieutenant Governor; Secretary of the Commonwealth; Treasurer and Receiver-General; Auditor; Attorney-General; Councillor; Senator; Representative in General Court; County Commissioner.

Also to bring in their votes for acceptance or rejection of the following Articles of Amendment submitted by the Constitutional Convention:—

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT No. 1.

The General Court shall have power to provide by law for voting by qualified voters of the Commonwealth who, at the time of an election, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants in the choice of any officer to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election.

ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT No. 2.

ARTICLE XVIII. Section 1. No law shall be passed prohibiting the free exercise of religion.

Section 2. All moneys raised by taxation in the towns and cities for the support of public schools, and all moneys which may be appropriated by the commonwealth for the support of common schools shall be applied to, and expended in, no other schools than those which are conducted according to law, under the order and superintendence of the authorities of the town or city in which the money is expended; and no grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized by the commonwealth or any political division thereof for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any school or institution of learning, whether under public control or otherwise, wherein any denominational doctrine is inculcated, or any other school, or any college, infirmary, hospital, institution, or educational, charitable or religious undertaking which is not publicly owned and under the exclusive control, order and superintendence of public officers or public agents authorized by the commonwealth or federal authority or both, except that appropriation may be made for the maintenance and support of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts and for free public libraries in any city or town, and to carry out legal obligations, if any, already entered into; and no such grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized for the purpose of founding, maintaining, or aiding any church, religious denomination or society.

Section 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the commonwealth, or any political division thereof, from paying to privately controlled hospitals, infirmaries, or institutions for the deaf, dumb or blind not more than the ordinary and reasonable compensation for care or support actually rendered or furnished by such hospitals, infirmaries or institutions to such persons as may be in whole or in part unable to support or care for themselves.

Section 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any

inmate of a publicly controlled reformatory, penal or charitable institution of the opportunity of religious exercises therein of his own faith; but no inmate of such institution shall be compelled to attend religious services or receive religious instruction against his will, or, if a minor, without the consent of his parent or guardian.

Section 5. This amendment shall not take effect until the October first next succeeding its ratification and adoption by the people.

#### ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT NO. 3.

The maintenance and distribution at reasonable rates, during time of war, public exigency, emergency or distress, of a sufficient supply of food and other common necessities of life and the providing of shelter, are public functions, and the commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may take and may provide the same for their inhabitants in such manner as the general court shall determine.

And you are to serve this warrant by posting three attested copies thereof according to the vote of the town; namely, at the Town-house, at the Kendal Green Post-office, and on the town bulletin-board at the junction of South Avenue and Newton Street and Park Road, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Hereof fail not; and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Selectmen, seven days at least before the time appointed for said meeting.

Given under our hands this twenty-ninth day of October in the year of our Lord One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventeen.

ALFRED L. CUTTING,  
BENJAMIN LORING YOUNG,  
HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Selectmen of the Town of Weston.*

Pursuant to the within warrant, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of the town according to order.

HERBERT E. TYLER,  
*Constable of Weston.*

OCTOBER 29, 1917.

**Annual Election, November 6, 1917.**

In pursuance of the foregoing warrant, the inhabitants of the town of Weston, qualified to vote in elections, met in the Town-hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the sixth day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen, it being the Tuesday next after the first Monday in said month, and were called to order at six hours and thirty minutes of the clock, in the morning, by Alfred L. Cutting, Presiding Election Officer and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, who read the warrant calling said meeting, and the return thereon of the officer who served the same upon the inhabitants.

In pursuance of and in conformity with the laws of this Commonwealth in relation to elections, the Town-hall had been fitted up as a polling-place, a space railed off, and ten shelves or compartments provided for the use and convenience of the voters to examine and mark their ballots. Before the opening of the polls, the package of cards of instructions, specimen ballots, etc., furnished by the Commonwealth, had been opened, and the same posted in accordance with the provisions of the Revised Laws relating thereto.

Cornelius M. Kelliher was appointed an Election Officer, and sworn by the Presiding Election Officer, to the faithful performance of his duties.

Andrew Fiske and Thomas W. Scott, whom the Selectmen previously had appointed Ballot Clerks, were sworn by the Presiding Election Officer to the faithful performance of their duties.

The ballot-box to be used at elections was opened publicly by the election officers, who ascertained, by personal examination, and publicly showed, that the same was empty. The register of the box was set at zero (0), and the box immediately thereafter locked. The key of the box was delivered to the Presiding Election Officer.

A package supplied by the Secretary of the Commonwealth, marked "700 Ballots, Town of Weston," was delivered to the Ballot Clerks by the Presiding Election Officer, who took their

receipt therefor. The Ballot Clerks, who were provided with a list of the registered voters of the town, stationed themselves at the entrance to the polling place.

The polls were then declared open for the reception of votes.

At 3<sup>h</sup> 16<sup>m</sup> P.M. on motion of B. H. Dickson, Jr., it was voted to close the polls at 5<sup>h</sup> 30<sup>m</sup> P.M.

Upon four occasions, while the polls were open, the ballot-box was opened and ballots taken therefrom for counting, it being deemed advisable so to do in the unanimous judgment of the Presiding Election Officer and the Town Clerk. The times of thus opening the ballot-box and the number of ballots taken therefrom were as follows:—

9.44 A.M.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	ballots	
10.20	"	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	"	
10.55	"	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	"	
11.20	"	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	"	
2.15 P.M.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	"	
3.30	"	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	50	"	
															300	ballots

At five hours and thirty minutes of the clock in the afternoon, the polls were declared closed.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Ballot Clerks was three hundred and thirty-one.

The number of names checked on the voting list used by the Election Officers in the reception of ballots was three hundred and thirty-one.

At the close of the polls the automatic register of the ballot-box read three hundred and thirty-one. Upon opening the ballot-box thirty-one ballots were taken therefrom, which, together with the three hundred previously taken therefrom, made the total number of ballots cast three hundred and thirty-one. These ballots were sorted, counted, and recorded, and declaration thereof made in open town meeting by the Presiding Election Officer, and were for the following State and County Officers and for the ratification of certain amendments to the Constitution:—

## GOVERNOR.

James Hayes of Plymouth, Socialist Labor . . . . .	3
Chester R. Lawrence of Boston, Prohibition . . . . .	6
Frederick W. Mansfield of Boston, Democratic . . . . .	38
Samuel W. McCall of Winchester, Republican . . . . .	279
John McCarty of Abington, Socialist . . . . .	2
Blanks . . . . .	3

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## LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

	331
Calvin Coolidge of Northampton, Republican . . . . .	271
Matthew Hale of Boston, Democratic, Prohibition, Progressive . . . . .	50
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown, Socialist . . . . .	3
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody, Socialist Labor . . . . .	—
Blanks . . . . .	7

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## SECRETARY.

	331
Herbert S. Brown of Greenfield, Prohibition . . . . .	8
Albert P. Langtry of Springfield, Republican . . . . .	267
Ingvar Paulsen of Boston, Socialist Labor . . . . .	3
Arthur B. Reed of Abington, Democratic . . . . .	34
Marion E. Sproule of Lowell, Socialist . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	18

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## TREASURER.

	331
Charles L. Burrill of Boston, Republican . . . . .	273
Solon Lovett of Beverly, Prohibition . . . . .	4
Joseph A. Murphy of Lowell, Socialist . . . . .	3
Humphrey O'Sullivan of Lowell, Democratic . . . . .	37
Mary E. Peterson of Somerville, Socialist Labor . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	13

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## AUDITOR.

	331
Elzéar H. Choquette of New Bedford, Democratic . . . . .	37
Alonzo B. Cook of Boston, Republican . . . . .	255
David Craig of Milford, Socialist Labor . . . . .	4
Walter S. Peck of Stockbridge, Socialist . . . . .	1
Henry G. Smith, Jr. of Somerville, Prohibition . . . . .	5
H. Merriam . . . . .	1
Blanks . . . . .	28

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## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Henry C. Attwill of Lynn, Republican . . . . .	269
Frank Auchter of Belmont, Prohibition . . . . .	6
William R. Henry of Lynn, Socialist . . . . .	2
Thomas J. Maher of Medford, Socialist Labor . . . . .	1
Josiah Quincy of Boston, Democratic . . . . .	36
Blanks . . . . .	17
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## COUNCILLOR—SIXTH DISTRICT.

James G. Harris of Medford, Republican . . . . .	274
Blanks . . . . .	57
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## SENATOR—FIRST MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

James E. MacPherson of Framingham, Republican . . . . .	278
Blanks . . . . .	53
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## REPRESENTATIVE IN GENERAL COURT—THIRTEENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT.

David G. Sheehan of Concord, Democratic . . . . .	24
Benjamin Loring Young of Weston, Republican . . . . .	294
Blanks . . . . .	13
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## COUNTY COMMISSIONER—MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

Walter C. Wardwell of Cambridge, Republican . . . . .	255
Blanks . . . . .	76
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"Shall the following Article of Amendment relative to absentee voting, submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be approved and ratified?"

Yes . . . . .	239
No . . . . .	38
Blanks . . . . .	54

## ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The General Court shall have power to provide by law for voting by qualified voters of the Commonwealth who, at the time of an election, are absent from the city or town of which they are inhabitants in the choice of any officer to be elected or upon any question submitted at such election.

"In place of Article 18 of the Articles of Amendment of the Constitution, shall the following Article of Amendment relative to appropriations for educational and benevolent purposes, submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be approved and ratified?"

Yes . . . . .	252
No . . . . .	50
Blanks . . . . .	29

#### ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

**ARTICLE XVIII.** Section 1. No law shall be passed prohibiting the free exercise of religion.

Section 2. All moneys raised by taxation in the towns and cities for the support of public schools, and all moneys which may be appropriated by the commonwealth for the support of common schools shall be applied to, and expended in, no other schools than those which are conducted according to law, under the order and superintendence of the authorities of the town or city in which the money is expended; and no grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized by the commonwealth or any political division thereof for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any school or institution of learning, whether under public control or otherwise, wherein any denominational doctrine is inculcated, or any other school, or any college, infirmary, hospital, institution, or educational, charitable or religious undertaking which is not publicly owned and under the exclusive control, order and superintendence of public officers or public agents authorized by the commonwealth or federal authority or both, except that appropriations may be made for the maintenance and support of the Soldiers' Home in Massachusetts and for free public libraries in any city or town, and to carry out legal obligations, if any, already entered into; and no such grant, appropriation or use of public money or property or loan of public credit shall be made or authorized for the purpose of founding, maintaining or aiding any church, religious denomination or society.

Section 3. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to prevent the commonwealth, or any political division thereof, from paying to privately controlled hospitals, infirmaries, or institutions for the deaf, dumb or blind not more than the ordinary and reasonable compensation for care or support actually rendered or furnished by such hospitals, infirmaries or institutions to such persons as may be in whole or in part unable to support or care for themselves.

Section 4. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to deprive any inmate of a publicly controlled reformatory, penal or charitable institution of the opportunity of religious exercises therein of his own faith; but no inmate of such institution shall be compelled to attend religious services or receive religious instruction against his will, or, if a minor, without the consent of his parent or guardian.

Section 5. This amendment shall not take effect until the October first next succeeding its ratification and adoption by the people.

"Shall the following Article of Amendment relative to the taking and distribution by the Commonwealth and its municipalities of the common necessities of life, submitted by the Constitutional Convention, be approved and ratified?"

Yes . . . . .	236
No . . . . .	31
Blanks . . . . .	64

## ARTICLE OF AMENDMENT.

The maintenance and distribution at reasonable rates, during time of war, public exigency, emergency or distress, of a sufficient supply of food and other common necessities of life and the providing of shelter, are public functions, and the commonwealth and the cities and towns therein may take and may provide the same for their inhabitants in such manner as the general court shall determine.

While the polls were open, the ballot-box and the voting list used in connection therewith were in charge of the Election Officers.

In the canvassing and counting of votes the regular Election Officers were assisted by Walter E. Wheeler, Jeremiah Sliney, Henry A. Wheeler, and John J. Cronin, who previously had been appointed Tellers by the Selectmen, and sworn by Alfred L. Cutting, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, to the faithful performance of their duties.

The business of the meeting being finished, the returns were filled up, signed by the Selectmen, countersigned by the Town Clerk, and sealed up in open meeting and delivered to the Town Clerk, to forward to their several places of destination.

All ballots used at the election were enclosed in envelopes, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The tally sheets used in counting the votes cast at the election were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The voting lists used in connection with the distribution of ballots and the deposit thereof in the ballot-box were certified by the officers who had had them in charge, and were enclosed in an envelope, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

All unused ballots were enclosed in envelopes, and the same properly sealed and endorsed.

The sealed and endorsed envelopes above mentioned, together with the ballot-box, the ballot-box keys, and the seal, were forthwith delivered to the Town Clerk by the Presiding Election

Officer, who in this and all other matters connected with the election followed and caused to be followed the "Laws relating to Elections," as prepared by the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

At six hours and fifteen minutes of the clock in the evening the meeting was declared dissolved by the Presiding Election Officer.

A true record.

Attest:

**ALFRED L. CUTTING,**  
*Town Clerk pro tem.*

### **Town Clerk's Meeting.**

Vote of Middlesex District Number 13 for Representative in the General Court, as ascertained and declared at the Town Clerk's meeting for said district, held at Concord, November 16th at 12 o'clock noon.

	<i>Concord</i>	<i>Lincoln</i>	<i>Sudbury</i>	<i>Wayland</i>	<i>Weston</i>	<i>Total</i>
Benjamin Loring Young of Weston . . . . .	490	101	104	213	294	1,202
David G. Sheehan of Concord . . . . .	251	43	17	85	24	420
Blanks . . . . .	52	8	5	17	13	95
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>793</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>126</b>	<b>315</b>	<b>331</b>	<b>1,717</b>

Two certificates were made out and signed by

William D. Cross . . . . .	Town Clerk of Concord.
Arthur F. Chapin . . . . .	Town Clerk of Lincoln.
Frank F. Gerry . . . . .	Town Clerk of Sudbury.
Warren L. Bishop . . . . .	Town Clerk of Wayland.
Alfred L. Cutting, per G. F. . . . .	Town Clerk <i>pro tem.</i> of Weston.

Attest:

**ALFRED L. CUTTING,**  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

A true copy of the records of the Town of Weston for the year 1917.

**ALFRED L. CUTTING,**  
*Town Clerk pro tempore.*

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